1975-Branch & Executive Minutes: Socialist League & Forward Group
**items listed only, in archive file binder "Executive and Old Branch Minutes book")*

1975-SL-Toronto

1975-01Jan6	Minutes of the Branch: Press, Waffle, Social, Educational
**1975-Jan5*	*Executive meeting: Sub renewals, Waffle discussion, Social cttee.*
**1975-Jan9*	*Executive meeting: Waffle letter, Staff, Sub Blitz*
1975-01Jan13a	Minutes: Executive, Trade Union Fraction reports
1975-01Jan20	Minutes of Branch: Social, Non-Zionist Jews, Educational report
**1975-Jan23*	*Executive meeting: Membership, Sub Drive, Latin American work, IWY, N-Z Jews*
1975-01Jan27a	Minutes of Branch: Membership, Social, Educational reports
1975-02Feb3a	Minutes of Branch: Membership, Educational, Women's Fraction
1975-02Feb9a	Executive meeting: York U. Election, ANZJ, Financial, HQ staffing, Memberships
1975-02Feb10	Minutes of Branch: York U. Election; Sub drive, Anti-racism meeting UofT
1975-02Feb17	Minutes of Branch: NDP, death of Hugh Dowson, Educational, Sub drive
1975-02Feb24	Minutes of Branch: NDP April Conf., Women's march to Ottawa, York U.
**1975-Mar2*	*Executive meeting: Trade Unions, NDP, International Women's Year*
1975-03Mar3a	Minutes of Branch: NDP Women's Cttee; Campus report
1975-03Mar10a	Minutes of Branch: Women's, Trade union, Campus reports
1975-03Mar16	Executive meeting:York U. Discussion, New HQ, Fund Drive, NDP, Women's Conf.
1975-03Mar17	Minutes of Meeting: Fund drive, Campus & Women's reports, Educationals

1975-03Mar24a	Minutes of Meeting: New HQ, NDP & Educational reports
1975-03Mar31	Minutes of Meeting: Fund Drive; NDP & Morgentaler & Campus reports, etc.
**1975-Apr3*	*Executive meeting:Morgentaler defence, Membership problems, May Day Social*
1975-04Apr7	Minutes of Meeting: Morgentaler & NDP reports, Educationals, New Business
1975-04Apr8	Executive meeting:Phillipine Defence; RMG Vietnam demo; Campus discussion
1975-04Apr14a	Minutes of Meeting: May Day; RD on RMG meeting on Vietnam
1975-04Apr20	Executive meeting:Morgentaler Defence; May 10 Ottawa (Morgentaler contingent)
1975-04Apr21a	Minutes of Meeting: Campus fraction, Fund Drive, May 10 (Womens) Coalition
1975-04Apr29	Executive meeting:Membership; HQ consruction, May 10 Cttee. Morgentaler)
1975-05May5a	Minutes of Meeting: Fund Drive, May 10 Amnesty report
1975-05May13a	Minutes of Meeting: Evaluation of educational; NDP report, Fund drive
1975-05May15	Executive meeting:Membership; NDP leadership, Campus report, Women's Lib.
1975-05May20a	Minutes of Meeting: Support for Rosemary Brown (NDP), Non-Zionist Jews
1975-05May25	Executive meeting: CARAL demo Ottawa, Women's Lib, Campus, Membership
1975-05May28a	Minutes of Meeting: Educationals, Contacts, Campus reports
1975-06June4a	Executive meeting: Membership, Campus (OFS, York-ULS)
**1975-June4c*	*Attachment: Pat Schulz letter requesting leave of absence due to daycare work*
1975-06June5a	Minutes of Meeting: Women’s movement, Metro Toronto NDP, Socials

**1975-June11*	*Executive meeting: Campus (ULS), Women's movement, Camp Poundmaker*
1975-05June12a	Minutes of Branch: Women's movement
1975-06June14	Letter to Comrades from G. Doctorow re necessary change in meeting date
1975-05June18	Minutes of Branch: CARAL report (rally) Educational
**1975-June22*	*Executive meeting: membership, Morgentaler vigil, Forum lineup*
1975-05June26	Minutes of Meeting: Educational report (Poundmaker), Morgentaler, Campus
1975-07July1	Executive meeting: Membership, NDP convention, CARAL & vigil, May 10 Cttee
1975-07July3a	Minutes of Meeting: NDP convention report, NATO question, CARAL report
1975-07July3c	Report on Poundmaker (Treasurer)
1975-07July3d	Camp rules & work projects
1975-07July10a	Minutes of Meeting: Educational Cttee. Report
1975-07July17a	Minutes of Meeting: Morgentaler report
1975-07July24a	Minutes of Meeting: Educational report, Trade Union & Social reports
**1975-July30*	*Executive meeting: Western trip, Internal-branch conf. Palestinian defence, CARAL*
1975-07July31	Minutes of Meeting: Report on Western trip, PLO Defence, sectarian problems
1975-08Aug7	Minutes of Branch: PLO Defence, Educational, Camp Poundmaker reports
1975-08Aug14a	Minutes of Branch: Poundmaker report, PLO meeting report
1975-08Aug21	Minutes of Branch: CARAL & Campus (York) reports
1975-08Aug24	Executive meeting:Membership & personnel; Campus, CARAL
1975-09Sept4	Minutes of Branch: Campus (York), CARAL, Educational reports

**1975-Sept10*	*Executive meeting: NDP election campaign; Sub drive, Membership, Women*
1975-09Sept11	Minutes of Branch: Executive (NDP, sub drive), Educational, CARAL reports
1975-09Sept21	Minutes of Branch: Sub Drive, Educational, Campus (ULS at York)
**1975-Sept24*	*Executive meeting: Membership, NDP work, Oct. 25 Women's group*
1975-09Sept28	Minutes of Branch: Educational on NDP
1975-10Oct1	Executive meeting: Membership, Campus, Branch Conf., CARAL, Law Union
1975-10Oct5	Minutes of Branch: CARAL,Women's, Educational, Sub drive reports
1975-10Oct12	Minutes of Branch: Educational, CARAL, Law Union (John Damien gay rights
1975-10Oct19	Executive meeting: Membership, Campus personnel, CARAL, Spanish solidarity
1975-10Oct20	Minutes of Branch: Educational, Campus, CARAL benefit, Portuguese Demo
**1975-Oct22*	*Executive meeting: Membership,Organization, Russian Revolution social*
1975-10Oct26	Minutes of Branch: Educational, Campus, Wages for Housework reports
**1975-Oct29*	*Executive meeting: Membership, Organization, Educationals*
1975-11Nov2	Minutes of Branch: Executive, Educational reports, New Business
1975-11Nov9a	Executive meeting: Membership, Organizational (branch conf.), CARAL, York U.
1975-11Nov9b	Minutes of Branch: Exec report, Educational, Social, York U. NDP
**1975-Nov16-2 PM*	*Executive meeting: Branch Conference agenda*
1975-11Nov16	Minutes of Branch: Exec. Report on Branch conference, Campus, OFL reports
1975-11Nov23aa	Minutes of Toronto Branch Conference: items 1 to 7

1975-11Nov23b.	**(Conference) Organizer's Report** (Deutsch) 13 pp.
1975-11Nov23ca	*Report of Branch conference (by Art Grey)* : The Organizer's Report; the LSA
1975-11Nov26	Executive meeting: Branch conference; Personnel & Organization
1975-11Nov30	Minutes of Meeting: Executive report (election of committees); Women's report
1975-12Dec3	Executive meeting: Membership, Personnel, Membership
1975-12Dec7	Minutes of Branch: Executive report, Internals (educationals), CARAL
1975-12Dec11	Executive meeting:CARAL, Campus coalition defeat, Executive Secretary, CARAL
1975-12Dec14	Minutes of branch: Campus & CARAL reports, Non-Zionist Jews, Xmas social
**1975-Dec17*	*Executive meeting:Campus discussion*
1975-12Dec21	Minutes of Branch: Membership (holidays), Campus fraction
**1975-Dec27*	*Executive meeting:Print shop, Social Cttee., Educational Cttee.*
1975-12Dec28	Minutes of Branch: Educational report
**1975-Dec30*	*Executive meeting:Personnel, New Year speech*
**1975 April-Dec*	*Trade Union fraction Minutes, flyers & resolutions; 6 pp notes by R.D.*

MINUTES OF THE JAN6 BRANCH MEETING (Found in 1975)

Chair: Jones
Secretary; Red
S. at A.: Morgan

Minutes: m/c to adopt the minutes from the Dec. 30 branch meeting.

Agenda: m/c to adopt the agenda as presented.

Attendance: A. with R.: Jennings, Mills, Goldman, Smith, Stone, Willis, Schriebman, Stuart, Chaplan, Anderson.

Correspondence: Deutsch reported on the letter from Detroit trade unionist J. Anderson. The executive has asked Anderson to come up to Canada to meet with our comrades and contacts.
Concurrance with the executive's decision was m/c.

Press Report: Smith reported that it is now necessary to launch a campaign to renew expired Forward subscriptions. A letter will be sent with the next issue to convince our subscribers to resubscribe. Then one extra issue will be sent with a final notice. The followup will consist of door to door work.
m/c to refer to the executive the idea of organizing a campus sub blitz.
m/c to adopt the press report.

Waffle Report; Morgan gave a report based on the documentation which was presented at the Dec. 15 Waffle Convention in Toronto.

- We are still very interested in having discussions with both the McNally and the Cook groups and will make formal approaches for such discussions.

m/c to adopt the report

Social Report: Cameron reported that the (New Year's) social was not successful because only 52 people attended even though the social was well organized and much effort had been expended.
- The sleigh ride on the other hand was very successful, with an attendance of nearly 40.
- In the future our socials should be of a more modest character, on the level of a house social.

m/c that the social ctte. send a letter of protest to the Toronto recreation dept. complaining about the high cost of sleigh rentals.

m/c to adopt the report.

Education Report: m/c to refer the question of next week's internal to the educational ctte.

Break

Educational: Levi on our work in the Committee for Non-Zionist Jews.

New Business: 1. Red reported on the distribution at the Y.S. Convention.

2. Kent reported on the Goodyear elections.

Calendar:

Adjournment: 10.25

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 13 BRANCH MEETING

Chair: Chaplan
Secretary: Red
Sargeant at Arms: Morgan

Attendance: As with R.: Cameron, Jennings, Goldman, Morgan, Anderson

Agenda: m/c to adopt the agenda as presented.

Minutes: m/c to adopt the minutes from the Jan. 6 branch meeting.

Executive Report: Deutsch reported that there will be a campus sub blitz in early Feb. to acquire 75 subs. The blitz will take place on the U. of Toronto and York U. campuses. The York campus club will carry the York drive and the branch will mobilize to carry U. of T.
- We will preceed the drive with a distribution of the back issues of the Forward and add a letter to the copies distributed explaining that we intend to return to sell subs.

m/c to adopt the report.

Trade Union Fraction Report: Chaplan reported on the trade union fraction held last week.
- Eight people attende including two contacts and six comrades.
- The fraction started with a general discussion concerning its general aims and organizational practises.
- The main objectives will be to discuss problems facing comrades and sympathizers in their shop situations and to take up issues facing the trade union movement as a whole.
- The fraction decided to meet monthly.
- The fraction then had brief informational reports on each comrades place of work, union activities, and general union situation.
- A report was given on the upcoming strike situation at A.R. Clark tannery where a sympathizer works.
- The fraction discussed the projected trip to Toronto of Detroit trade unionist J.A.

- The fraction will also try to set up a meeting with Vic. H. to discuss the situation at Goodyear.

m/c to adopt the report

Latin American report: Red reported on the C.C,L.A. meeting of Jan. 11 which was followed up by a meeting of a cttel called to defend sailors on trial in Chile.

- Although the L.S.A. carries all of the political and organizational responsibilities, the C.L.A. is quite viable involving 15 to 20 Latin Americans .
- The C.L.A. however didn't propose any concrete actions outside of a showing of slides on Brazil.
- The Chilean sailors' defence ctte. is probably the broadest cttel yet outside of the CLP. to do Chile defence work in Toronto.
- Our main orientation should be in the area of Chile defence because of the large Chilean community in Toronto.

m/c to adopt the report

Educational: Deutsch on Jews as an oppressed nationality.

Break for Dues and Pledges

Distribution Report : Red reported on the week's upcoming distributions.

Alliance for Non-Zionist Jews Report: Levi outlined our projected intervention at an upcoming meeting on Peace in the Middle East at O.C.E.

- We are going to reproduce and distribute a letter written on behalf of Alliance members which was sent in and reprinted in the Toronto Star.

New Business:

Calendar:

Adjournment:

MINUTES FROM THE BRANCH MEETING OF JAN.20/75

Chair: Deutsch
S. at A.: Wilson
Secretary: Red

Attendance: A. with R.: Morgan, Anderson, Jennings, Goldman

Minutes: m/c to adopt the minutes from the Jan. 13/75 branch meeting.

Agenda: m/c to adopt the agenda as presented

Correspondence: Kent reported on a phone call from Anderson who is in Vancouver.

Social Ctte. Report: -There is an upcoming trade union social at White'S house this Saturday, following the U.A.W. 1967 political action seminar at the I.A,M. hall in Malton.

-The Socialist League will hold a tobogganing and skating party in two weeks at the house of a comrade or contact.

m/c to adopt the report

Alliance of Non-Zionist Jews: reporter Levi

- Schriebman spoke at Brock on behalf of the S.L. and the Alliance in a debate with a left zionist.
- Levi reported on the meeting organized by Cdn. professors for peace in the middle east. The Alliance distributed a leaflet which was a reprint of a letter sent to the Toronto Star condemning the fire-bombing of the Palestinian office in Toronto.
-The York S.L. and the Alliance are intervening in a teach-in at York to-morrow.The teach-in is on Israel.
- The Alliance is having a membership meeting this Sunday.

m/c to adopt the report as information.

Educational Report: Deutsch reported on the introductory class in our class series. Thirty-six people attended. This class was the most successful educational activity we have yet organized.
- The educational committee will meet this week.

m/c that Schribman chair next week's forum Citizens versus the Law.

internals: - An evaluation of last week's internal on Jewish Nationalism was critical of the educational on the grounds that the presentation didn't deal with the concrete problems posed in our day to day work.

m/c that Red give next week's internal on the view of the International Socialists toward Trotsky and the F.I.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 27 BRANCH MEETING

Chairman: Robur
Secretary ? Red
Sargeant at Arms: Paddy

Attendance: A with R.: Chaplan, Willis, Jennings, Stuart, Anderson, Levi, Goldman

Agenda: m/c to adopt the agenda as presented.

Minutes: m/c to adopt the minutes from the Jan. 20 branch meeting as amended.

Correspondence: m/c to refer to the executive for discussion the letter received from the Leninist tendency in the Waffle.(third camp tendency)

Membership and Contacts Report: m/c to set up a recruitment discussion with Z.A.L -Deutsch and Red were struck off to participate in the discussion.

- Cameron reported on the membership and contacts ctte. meeting of last week. He gave a report on several contacts that were discussed.

- A comrade suggested that the contact ctte. keep a contact book.

m/c to adopt the report

Social Ctte. Report: Cameron reported on the social ctte. meeting.

- The ctte. evaluated on the previous day's trade union fraction social.

-The ctte. also discussed the possibility of organizing a women's trade union social with our women comrades and contacts. This social would have a theme focused on International Women's Year.

-We must try to establish an active social life in the movement so that we have weekly social activities if possible.

- We are organizing a toboggan and skating party for Sat. Feb. 8 at the home of Goldman and Mills.

m/c to adopt the report

Educational Report: Deutsch reported for the educational ctte.

internals: Comrades thought that last week's internal on pensions was incomplete and the discussion should be continued at a future time.

internal lineup : Feb. 3 Popular Frontism and the Mass Reformist Parties in Europe. Kent

Feb. 10 Auto Pact Paddy

Feb. 17 Jewish Nationalism and the work of the S.L. Deutsch

Feb. 24 Mandel-Horowitz debate on Nationalism no speaker yet

m/c to adopt the following lineup

m/c to have a 50 cent admission charge for our classes.
m/c that Lighthouse chair the class on the Marxist view of Art.
m/c that Volpe give a sixth class on Alienation

m/c to adopt the report.

Financial Report: Goldman reported on the finance ctte. meeting.

-Comrades must pay their pledge at the start of the month.
- We will enter a deficit position when Deutsch comes on staff in February.-
- We will need an income of 1600/ mo. to keep even when Deutsch comes onstaff.

Educational: Red on the International Socialist's position on Trotskyism and the F.I.

m/c to cancel the last three reports on the agenda so that the discussion can be extended.

New Business: Sub Drive M/c that the campus sub blitz take place in the week starting Feb. 3. also that Red be the overall co-ordinator with Lighthouse co-Ordinating U. of Toronto.

Calendar:

Adjournment

FEBRUARY 3
MINUTES OF THE XXXXXXX XX XX/75 BRANCH MEETING

Chairman; Mills
S. at A.: Kent
Secretary: Red

Agenda: m/c to adopt the agenda as presented

Attendance; A. with R.: Deutsch, Jennings, Goldman, Hobur, Schriebman, Stone
Stuart, Willis , Shier, Wilson, Paddy

Minutes: m/c to adopt the minutes from Jan. 27/75 as read.

Membership and Contacts: 1. The membership and contacts ctte. recommends that Z. be recruited to the S,L. This recommendation follows a meeting between Red and Deutsch and Z.

2. A report was given on the members of the S.L. club at York as well as other contacts at York. We need to send comrades to York to speak at forums and bring the contacts closer to us as well as educate them. The sub drive and election campaign should help to bring these contacts closer to us.

3. A report on some of the other contacts around the S.L. was given

4. We should organize a dinner social with C.J. and L.C. and such comrades as XXXXX Goldman, Stone, and Smith so that our relationship with these contacts can be strengthened.

m/c to adopt the report

Educational Report: reporter Red

1. The comrades evaluated last week's internal.

2. m/c by Kent that the educational ctte. prepare a public forum for this month.

3. Comrades evaluated the last external class, Kent on Marxism and Art. Kent felt that his presentation was not well enough prepared although the forum itself was well organized.

4. m/c thqt Xxxx Anderson chair the next class, Marxism and the Law.

m/c to adopt the report

Women's Fraction Report: Volpe reported on the women's fraction meeting of last week.

- The major discussion focussed on Int. Women's Year.
- The S.L. should emphasis the importance of the abortion issue in the I.W.R. activities.
- We should involve ourselves in the coalitions which are organizing around I.W.Y.
- The women's ctte. intends to hold regular bi-weekly meetings with educationals as part of the meetings.
- The ctte. will discuss a proposed series of classes on the women's question and then refer this proposal to the educational ctte.

m/c to adopt the report.

A lliance of Non-Zionist Jews: - Levi reported on the Alliance's activities at York. and on the recent meeting of the Alliance. The Alliance now has a membership of 28 and has adopted the statement prepared by our comrades as the founding statement of the Alliance. This statement is to be published in the newspaper of the Cdn. Union of Jewish Students.

m/c to adopt the report.

Sub Drive ; Red reported that the sub drive is going ahead this week at York and U of T.

Break:

Educational: Kent on the POpular Front.

Latin American Report: Mills reported on the general situation in the Latin American work area.

New Business: Brief reports were given on 1. the upcoming Berrigan meetings in Torontol 2. The new ctte. against repression and immigration. 3. The upcoming York U. student council elections.

m/c that meetings end at 10:15 unless a special motion is passed.

Deutsch made a brief report on the upcoming Agee meeting which the RMG is organizing.

Calendar:

Adjournment:

Minutes of Executive Meeting --- February 9, 1975: 2:20 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Red. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: m/c to seat Goldman, Z., and Levi

3. York University Election:
-United Left Slate involves almost every left tendency on campus except for the Third Camp Tendency and RMG
-ULS has possibilities of a broad coalition of the student left, including Third World students and people on the staff of the campus press
-key issues: educational cutbacks; staff has signed up 60% of membership for union; possibility of university shutdown and polarization around a strike; secret report (CORSAP report of Ont. government) on raising student loans by providing them at prevailing interest rates and payback out of future wages through garnishee; conditions of tenure for faculty; women's liberation: abortion, daycare, equal pay for equal work; immigration and racism aimed at 3rd world students
-difference of opinion in SL club on whether the issue of Palestinian self-determination should be part of the common program of the ULS
-m/c to drop the issue of Palestinian self-determination because it would become the primary issue of the election and undercut the central thrust of the ULS on popular student issues
-SL club is advancing Dale for presidential candidate
-campus cmrdes anticipate getting $300 from students' council for campaign expenses (e.g. a brochure outlinging the ULS program)
-we should investigate getting an ad from CUPE on campus into the ULS brochure
-m/c to adopt the report as a whole
-informational report by Red on OFS (Ont. Fed. Of Students) conference

4. ANZJ (Alliance of NOn-Zionist Jews):
-m/c to adopt report by Levi and Deutsch as information

5. Financial Report on Budget:
-presented by Goldman
-m/c that Membership and Contacts Committee assess raising monthly pledges from contacts (as part of their being considered contacts of the movement)
-m/c that all pledges pass through the SL treasurer and then allocated to Forward through the treasurer
-m/c to authorize the investigation of the cost of acquiring a hall-bookstore-printing press facility (with a view towards putting another person on staff to manage the bookstore) --- the results should be reported back to the executive

6. HQ Staffing:
-m/c to accept the proposed timetable of staffing the HQ (appended)
-m/c that Red accept responsibility for staffing HQ on Wed. evenings and Saturdays
-m/c to refer question of trade union cttee to next executive (raised by Red)

7. Membership and Contacts:
-m/c to accept Guy McGuire's membership
-we should urge him to play an activist role in the NDP and give him advice on how to function

8. Minutes:
-m/c to adopt minutes of Jan. 23/75
-m/c to adopt minutes of Jan. 5/75

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9. New Business:
   -report on CARAL's floundering organizationally
   -m/c to refer discussion of CARAL to a meeting with Mills and Women's Fraction
   -m/c to refer question Of Mills' work in Latin America Defence to next executive meeting
   -report on Cook's (formerly of Waffle) willingness to personally discuss Canada-US relations pamphlet with us, but his group is indifferent to us
   -sub drive: report required for branch to mobilize for drive this week
   -necessary for comrades to come to classes for education and contact work

10. Adjournment at 5:00 p.m.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR HQ STAFFING

Time

Day	10:00a.m.-3:30p.m.	3:30p.m.-7:30p.m.	7:30p.m.-11:00p.m.
Monday	Gord		Gord
Tuesday	Gord		Gord
Wednesday	Gord		Dale
Thursday	Gord		Gord
Friday	Gord		Gord
Saturday	Dale	Dale (5:00p.m.)	
Sunday	Gord	Gord	

Notes:

Until we get a bookstore-HQ, we will not be in a position to have the HQ consistently staffed between 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. during the week.

Dale is a preferred choice for staffing because of his familiarity with the operation (having already functioned as staff organizer) and because of his ability to function as a leading cadre. The latter point is important in establishing who should be down at the HQ on Saturdays, as this is the day when workers can most easily come down to discuss and get introduced to the Socialist League.

Minutes of Branch Meeting: Feb. 10, 1975

1. Chairperson: Steve. Secretary: Rod. Sgt-at-arms: Kent.

2. Attendance: absent--Ashley

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
   -m/c that the motion passed at the last meeting ending meetings at 10:15 p.m. be reconsidered
   -m/c to talbe this motion to just before the break
   -m/c that comrades who are absent without reason be recorded as such in the minutes while those who have excused themselves not be recorded as absent

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -m/c to recruit Guy M. as member at large
   -m/c to have a policy of approaching all close contacts for a pledge
   -we should press all our contacts to join the NDP and be active in the ridings

5. Executive Report:
   -Deutsch reported on the new schedule of opening hours for the HQ --m/c to adopt this schedule

6. York U. Election Campaign Report:
   -Rod reported on details of campaign--formation of a broad United Left Slate around the central issue of opposing the cutbacks in education and linking up students with faculty and staff
   -m/c to adopt report

7. Sub Drive Report:
   -younger members of the branch will mobilize this Wed. night to distribute papers at U. of T. student residences
   -next Wed. the branch will mobilize to sell subs at the same dormiteries
   -m/c to adopt the report

8. Social Report:
   -Cameron reported on the tobaggan social--very successful but because of poor organization failed to make any money

9. Educational Report:
   -m/c that Harry P. chair the next class--G. Tolentino on Marxism and Psychology

10. Financial Report:
    -Goldman presented a budget report which was adopted by the branch
    -m/c to withdraw the motion to cut meetings off at 10:15 p.m. because such a motion is a violation of the rules of the meeting

11. Educational:
    -Paddy on the Auto Pact.

12. New Business:
    -women's fraction on Feb. 18
    -on Feb. 28, the Socialist League is co-sponsoring meetings at U. of T. on racism with Rosie Douglas speaking and an SWP speaker from Boston (LSA meeting in reality)

13. Calendar was read and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes of Branch Meeting --- February 17, 1975:

1. Chairperson: Levi. Secretary: Roy. Sgt-at-arms: [redacted].Paddy.

2. Attendance: Absent with reason-- Willis, Morgan, Red, Goldman, Rebur.
   Late--Cameron, Schriebman.

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
   -m/c to adopt minutes of Feb. 10.

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -m/c to recruit Fred

5. NDP Report:
   -Deutsch urged that comrades have more contacts, closer integration withh the NDP and that membership in the NDP be maintained by comrades and by our contacts
   -m/c to encourage renewal of NDP membership by comrades.

6. Sub Drive Report:
   -Red reported on distribution done at York U. and U.of T.; sub drive to be postpened until after York Students Council elections.
   -m/c to encourage comrades at York U. to carry out sub drive before elections
   -m/c that information about response to sub efforts be presented to branch meetings every few weeks.

7. Educational [redacted] by Deutsch on the Jewish Question and our work in the Alliance of Non-Zionist Jews.
   -m/c that Deutsch prepare documentation of his views expressed in the educational

8. Educational Report:
   -Anderson reported
   -m/c to have the following internal lineup:
      -Mandel/Herewitz debate on Feb. 24 with Levi
      -Development of British Labor Party Left Wing on March 3 with Goldman
      -Our NDP Program and Strategy on March 10 with Anderson
      -Viewpoints on Canadian Nationalism on March 17 with Shier
   -m/c to have the following lineup on classes:
      -Marxism and Science on Feb. 28 with ~~Stu [redacted]~~ Stu
      -Marxism and Alienation and the Socialist Future on March 14 with Rezi
      -Marxism and Psychology [redacted] Part II on Feb. 21 with Gus
   -m/c to not reschedule Marxism and Science class because of conflict with anti-racism meeting being held by the LSA and which we are co-sponsoring
   -m/c to have forum on International Women's Day for March 7.to be built and carried in a bread way

9. New Business;
   -m/c to send [redacted] a comrade to formally express our solidarity with Claire on the death of Hugh
   -remarks by Kent, Mills, and Anderson on Hugh's contribution to the labor and socialist movements
   -m/c to refer to the Social Committee a celebration of the first anniversary of the existance of the Socialist League
   -report by Harry K. on his legal defence of Daimien, the racing steward who was fired for being a homosexual.

10. Calendar read and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes Socialist League Meeting Febraury 24, 1975
Chairperson [redacted] Roy Secretary--Kent substitute , sget-at-arms-- John Morgan [redacted] Roy
Motion to adpot the agenda--unanimous [redacted] Rad
Attnedance-- John M[redacted], Gord D[redacted] Volpe, Lighthouse, Robson, Mills Jim Chapin
Absent with reason---[redacted], Fred C--, [redacted], [redacted] Slater, Jennings, Willis, Stone
Minutes of last meeting--not available
Membership and contacts----report by Gord on Orillia, adopted
NDP Report by Gord-- Report on meeting of NDP fraction. General discussion on NDP work . NDP leadership campaign and Rosemary Brown's left stance, Metro Toronto NDP April Conference, U of T NDP campaign focusing around 5 days of public meetings from 10;30 to 2 featuring prominement speakers of key issues.We are trying to get campus contacts involved. Rosemary Brown in public debate with Dalton Camp this coming Thursday
Motion by Ross that at this time we identify ourselves with the Brown leadership campaign but not so commit ourselves that we are in difficulties should a more relevant candidate enter in the campaign--adopted
Motion to adopt report---passed.
Women's Liberation Report by Ellie--- We were successful in attracting to our women's fraction three non-members, Chris, Shirley and Valorie. Good discussion on our intervention in International Womens Year actions--Toronto March 7 and 8th projects look very promising--with possiblity of a public demonstration
CARAL meeting agreed to prepare a brochure. Meeting accepted proposal for student and unemployed membership rate but did not accept proposal for Toronto membership meeting
Motion by [redacted] (Mills) that we project the idea of a mass march onto Ottawa to demand implement ation of Status of Women Report and that we attempt to initiate idea at Friday's NDP women's committee in the hope that it can be launched at the Toronto International Women's Day conference--suggested [redacted] date-Mothers Day.--passed.
It is proposed that the next SL [redacted] Women's fraction will discuss the Selma James debate on housewives. It is also being proposed to the Educational Committee that a series of educationals on women be arranged possibly during the end of April or early May. Motion to adopt report--passed.
Campus Report-- Election campaign at York progressing very favorably--[redacted] the United Left Slate is the most representative ever, with representation from all the major campus forces including the NDP, election statement in tabloid form will be out tomorrow, very successful participation in the Rosie Douglas meeting, campaign is becoming the voice of all radical currents . Many [redacted] activists vieing to be on slate[redacted] last minute entry of NDP leader caught us into agreeing to Jane stepping down. Election 12 and 13th March
Education Report-- Report by Gord-- Motion to adopt topic on British Labor party and the left with Harry P as speaker--passed. Discussion on last internal education by Gord
Motion to refer discussion on classes including Gus' to educational Committee.
Motion to cancel March 7 class and direct contacts and sympathizers to Convocation hall international womend day project. passed [redacted]
Motion to adopt report--passed
Break for dues and pledges
Motion to postpone educational by [redacted] (Levi) on Nationalism due to lateness of hour until next week
Report by [redacted] (Mills) on Canadian Committee for Justice for Latin American Political Prisoners. adopted
Report by [redacted] (Levi) on Alliance for Non-Zionist Jews--adopted.
Mtion to adjourn --passed.

Minutes of Branch Meeting --- March 3, 1975: Started at 8:15 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Mills. Secretary: Deutsch. Sgt-at-arms: Anderson.

2. Attendance: absent---Jones, Ashley, Cameron. m/c that branch refer to editorial board that commitments for writing for the paper are not acceptable for absence from branch meetings.

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
-m/c to adopt minutes of Feb. 17/75
-m/c to adopt minutes of Feb. 24/75
-m/c to file correspondence from Committee Against the Deportation of the Haitians
-m/c that Deutsch go to Haitian Defence meeting to make a statement of solidarity with this Committee on behalf of the Socialist League

4. Membership and Contact Committee Report:
-reported that Deutsch has been selected to be M&C Coordinator
-rundown on our contacts by Gord
-m/c to adopt report

5. NDP Report:
-given by Goldman
-report on Metro NDP Women's Committee Meeting:
-new exec. consists of some new lefts, Vi Thompson, Eleanor Sampay (CARAL activist), Linda Deehee, and Julie Telentino
-women's cttee will be meeting monthly
-right wing women at the meeting were able to separate Rosemary Brown campaign from Women's Cttee---we agree with this line
-m/c to adopt report
-report on Rosemary Brown
-Volpe is contacting Cynthia F. in Vancouver for her assessment of Brown's candidacy
-Brown spoke very well at TV debate with Dalton Camp, but responded negatively to Julie's inquiry for a march on Ottawa for International Women's Year
-report on metro NDP meeting to discuss provincial election policy
-representatives from only 3 ridings showed up
-orienting to issues such as industrial health and to ethnic communities (translating election material, etc.); ridings will formulate their own election material
-report on April Metro NDP Conference
-m/c to adopt reports
-m/c to refer back to NDP fraction the question of our policy on Stop the Highway 400 extension south towards downtown Toronto, which is an issue in the High Park NDP

6. Campus Report:
-by Levi
-debate scheduled between Gord and Escobar of the Inter-varsity Christian Fellowship on the Marxist vs. the Christian approach to alienation is up in the air because no publicity has yet appeared on the campus
-York campus right wing is challenging XXX right of United Left Slate to run in the student elections on the basis of an election technicality
-the ULS is organizing a rally on campus with Rosie Douglas, Virginia Hunter, Dale Ritch, and Anhelena Szuch speaking --- likely to turn into a protest meeting against the right wing's maneuvres
-m/c to adopt report

7. Educational Cttee Report:
   -given by Anderson
   -internals:
      -m/c that Mar. 24 educational be on what is the cause of Inflation (Chaplin to be approached)
      -proposal that March 31 educational be on the Fourth International political resolutions with Deutsch
      -m/c to refer back topic for March 31 to educ. cttee. and to consider replacing it with one on the immigration question
   -externals:
      -March 7 class is cancelled due to International Women's Day events
      -m/c to have forum on the perspectives before the student movement with a panel consisting of Dale Ritch, a representative from the United Left Slate, from Brock Socialist Students, from U. of T., from Ont. Fed. of Students and that Ellie K. be chairwoman
      -proposal that March 21 event be a class on Alienation and the Socialist Future with Gord D. speaking --- m/c to refer back to educ. cttee.
      -m/c to adopt extension to class series on Marxist Views of Culture and Life because of great success of series with the following topics: Marxism, Existentialism and Individualism; Women's Evolution: a Marxist View; Marxist View of Religion; the Jewish Question: a Marxist Interpretation; Marxism and Music

8. Financial Report:
   -by Goldman
   -m/c to adopt report

9. Break for dues and pledges:

10. Educational: Levi on Mandel/Horowitz Debate on Nationalism.
    -suggestion that Levi prepare notes on his educational
11. New Business;
    -report by Levi on invitation of Alliance of Non-Zionist Jews to send a speaker to Arab-Palestine Conference in May and on a possible united front meeting of left Jewish groups to commemorate the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising on April 19
    -evaluation of class on Marxism and Science

12. Calendar was read and adjournment at 11:00 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting--March 10, 1975: 8:20 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Steve. Temporary Secretary: Deutsch. Sgt-at-arms: Paddy.

2. Attendance: absent--Smith, Ashley, Jones, Anderson.

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
   -m/s to adopt minutes of March 3.

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -by Deutsch
   -report on Wayne P. as possible recruit
   -informational report on Judy B. by Goldman

5. Women's Report:
   -by Velpe
   -report on International Women's Day conference -- very successful in terms of attendance and in carrying our line despite manoeuvres of CP and Kay Macpherson
   ¢CARAL was present with lit. table and buttons and so was the Committee to Defend Soviet Women Political Prisoners
   -BC Women are planning a big provincial action on April 18 according to Cynthia F.--she will try to get them to support a May 10 National Day of protest to demand the govt implement the recommendations of the Status of Women Council
   -Saskatoon women are sympathetic to May 10 demo
   -our women comrades and contacts agreed upon a national day of protest in cities across Canada rather than a call to come to Ottawa because of practical problems of organizing on such short notice--discussion in branch had a line of going for an action in Ottawa together with local actions in order to successfully build a pan-Canadian women's movement

6. Trade Union Report:
   -by Paddy
   -policy of fraction is to have intense discussion of specific situations of t.u. comrades and contacts
   -discussion on resolutions for local unions
   -Calvin J. (contact) will present a discussion on industrial democracy to the next fraction
   -t.u. get-together this coming Sat. with some new contacts
   -m/s to adopt report

7. Campus Report:
   -b Deutsch on behalf of York U. comrades
   -report on disqualification of Dale Ritch and Frank Cierno from students council election through right wing manoeuvre
   -comrades have proposed a substitute candidate for Dale as presidential candidate, who will step down in favor of Dale if elected
   -report on Brock Students' Conference against the cutbacks--result was plan for moratorium and demo in the fall, involving getting sponsorship of OFL and OSSTF--therefore, conference turned out to be a relative victory despite moderate turnout
   -m/s to adopt report

8. Treasurer's Report:
   -by Goldman on our work in getting a storefront HQ-bookstore-hall

combined with sharing storefront space for John Darling's print shop, which is a separate commercial venture
-preliminary report on target money to be raised: $5,000 in loans to launch the bookstore and an additional $5,000 for our annual fund drive
-m/c to adopt report as information and general agreement on its direction
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11. Educational Report:
-by Anderson
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Executive Meeting---March 16, 1975: 3:05 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Lighthouse. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason---Red.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of March 2.

4. York University Discussion:
   -report by Levi on the general situation
   [redacted]
   -our line should be that the ULS proceed with an injunction to stop the new presidential election---ULS should then put out a leaflet stating the reason for the injunction, arguing for the validity of the previous election and attacking the fraudulent character of the new ballot (because it allows candidates from the previous list to withdraw and thereby join around one candidate to run against the ULS)
   -if the injunction fails, we will put forward a new leaflet asking students to vote for Dale Ritch as a show of democracy against the manipulations by the student bureaucrats
   -the ULS should demand that the election tribunal conduct an investigation into the election irregularity of the "Vote ULS, Vote Communist" posters, and if they fail to act then we intend to press charges against the apprehended students who did the postering

5. New HQ:
   -report by Kent on terms of the new HQ
   -m/c to approve moves to ~~loan~~ borrow $5,000 for the bookstore and that we be prepared to loan $1,000 to print shop, but we accept total responsibility for all money loaned
   -suggestion that we pay off interest on a monthly basis
   -m/c to assign [redacted] Kent to co-ordinate bookstore setup

6. Fund Drive:
   -m/c to launch a fund drive dating from March 15 to May 15 with a goal of $5,000
   -with this campaign, we are launching a yearly fund drive
   -this will be a lump sum campaign, not an increase in pledges
   -co-ordinators under consideration: Cameron, Jennings, and Paddy
   [redacted]

7. NDP Co-ordinator:
   -m/c to refer to next executive meeting

8. Mc Master Women's Conference:
   -report by Volpe
   -we want all our woman comrades to go

9. New Business:
   -we will not drop the April issue of Forward *in opposition to proposal by editor due to pressure of time*
   -discussion on forum on the Student Movement
   -m/c to try to get an injunction to hold up the York U. elections before Friday; otherwise, we will drop the idea and run Dale for president

10. Adjournment at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting---March 17, 1975: 8:15 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Smith. Secretary: Deutsch. Sgt-at-arms: Kent.

2. Attendance: m/c to allow Shier, Paddy, Lighthouse, and Morgan to be excused to work on putting out Forward.
-m/c to refer the question of Jones' attendance at branch meetings to the executive
-absent: Ashley, Chapan, Willis, Cameron, Jones, Roy

3. Membership and Contacts Report:
-report by Deutsch on Dale and Louise's car accident and their condition: Dale slightly injured; Louise seriously
-m/c to adopt report

4. Executive Report:
-by Deutsch
-fund drive---m/c to adopt the following recommendations on the character of this drive:
-goal of $5,000 to be raised internally and externally
-duration of drive to be from March 15 to May 15
-annual drive
-lump sum pledges
-Paddy as coordinator
-new HQ-report on new HQ
-m/c to adopt that Kent be in charge of setting up new HQ
-m/c to call bookstore Forward Books

5. Campus Report:
-by Deutsch on behalf of York U. comrades
-report on our intention to get injunction to stop election, failing that run Dale for president, and also carry out a libel suit against students apprehended putting up red-baiting posters
-m/c to adopt report

6. Women's Report:
-by Volpe
-first meeting of May 10 demonstration planning group is taking place on Wed. March 19 (conflicts with abortion debate at Town Hall)
-report on International Women's Year McMaster U. conference on Mar. 22--women cmrdes going to Hamilton, and we will set up lit. table; our policy is that we want as many cmrdes as are able to go
-m/c to adopt report

7. Educatio nal: Anderson on our work in the NDP

8. Educational Report:
-evalutation of previous internal and external on Western Europe and labor parties
-m/c to refer question of our program on education in society to educational cttee.

9. New Business:
-SL is sponsoring CLA meeting to defend women political prisoners in Latin America

10. Calendar read and adjournment at 10:50 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting---March 24, 1975: 8:10 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Chaplan. Secretary: Deutsch. Sgt-at-arms: Anderson.

2. Attendance: absent---Ashley, Jones, Roy.
late---Cameron (8:50 p.m.)

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
-m/c to adopt minutes of March 17
-no correspondence

4. Membership and Contacts:
-report by Deutsch
-report on Orillia comrades and Art K., Giffin's role in PSAC, and recruitment possibilities at York University
-m/c to adopt report as information

5. Fund Drive:
-report by Deutsch
-generally positive evaluation of prospects of attaining our goal
-m/c to adopt report as information

6. New HQ:
-report by Deutsch on progress of getting loans for bookstore and moving in

7. Women's Report:
-by Volpe
-report on May 10 Planning Meeting
-linkup with Status of Women Report for May 10 theme was defeated--opposition was led by Stalinists and supported by LSA
-5 demands were adopted: Universal day care, abortion repeal, equality before the law, equal pay for equal work, and access to birth control
-CP dominated discussion politically; low participation organizationally
-report on McMaster Women's Conference
-very successful attendance and participation although no resolutions were passed
-had a militant tone
-projection of a May 10 demo for IWY received an excellent response
-literature table (Forward Books) was moderately successful

8. NDP Report:
-by Deutsch
-report on provincial council meeting
-NDP fraction's polity recommendation on the Stop the Hwy 400 campaign, which is being advocated by the High Park and Parkdale NDP ridings is: we are not in favor of Stop 400; this campaign is too narrow and opportunistic; our attitude is to get the NDP to formulate a comprehensive metro transportation plan emphasizing free transit
-report on the metro area conference: we are mobilizing for it and support the idea of an ongoing metro area council
-report on the federal NDP convention
-m/c to adopt the report as a whole

9. Educational Report:
-evaluation of previous internal
-m/c that tonight's educational be a hatbox and that next week's be on "What is inflation?" with Jim Chaplan; the educational the week after will be on our attitude to the question of immigration
-evaluation of last week's forum, discussion of next forum, and necessity to build it

-report on classes
-m/c to adopt report

10. Treasurers Report:
-By Deutsch---urgent to get back dues and pledges paid up in order to pay our immediate bills
-m/c to adopt report

11. Break for dues and pledges.

12. Campus Report:
-by Willis
-report on York U. election campaign and election leaflets: the right wing has issued an ultraleft leaflet in the name of the ULS in order to discredit it ih the eyes of the students
-there should be a discussion among leading campus comrades in a coordinated way of problems of the York campaign and especially on the differences on our tactic of using an injunction to stop the student bureaucrats
-m/c to adopt report

13. New Business:
-reports on sub renewals and getting our literature into the bookstores

14. Hatbox Educational.

15. Calendar and adjournment at 10:30 p.m.

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~~Minutes of Branch Meeting---March 24, 1975~~: 8:15 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Jennings. Sgt-at-arms: Anderson. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent-Ashley, Lighthouse, Shier, Jones.
late-NIKI Wilson (8:55 p.m.) and Cameron (9:00 p.m.)

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
-m/c to adopt minutes of March 24, 1975

4. Fund Drive Report:
-by Paddy
-guidelines for comrades' pledges:
-2% of yearly gross salary or 1 week's gross salary
-at least half should be paid by May 15 and the other half within 6 months after
-contact lists have been drawn up for getting pledges
-pledges were taken from the floor
-m/c to adopt report

5. NDP Report:
-by Anderson
-report on character and format of Metro Regional Conference
-Kent reported on our printing up of a brochure of the left statements made at the BC and Ontario NDP conventions to be placed on the Forward literature table at the Metro Area Countil
-m/c to adopt report

6. Morgentaler:
-report by Deutsch
-report on events surrounding Morgentaler's arrest
-500 pro abortion repeal buttons have been ordered by the SL
-our main line should be for amnesty for Dr. Morgentaler
-we should include Amnest for Dr. Morgentaler for May 10
-our line should be to push CARAL to act
-m/c to adopt report

7. Campus Report:
-report by Willis on York U. elections
-Dale Ritch won presidency of students' council
-next task is to recruit ULSers and make a campus fraction evaluation
-report on demonstration on campus (York) on issue of racism
-discussion on camp us forum --- very successful: 40 people and SAC president at U. of T. attended
-m/c that executive meet with York comrades as soon as possible
-m/c to adopt report as a whole

8. Educationals:
-evaluation of forum on student movement
-evaluation of previous internal
-m/c that Deutsch give internal on immigration

9. Socials:
-report by Cameron on social after forum and weekend social---made $30 and brought in contacts from York U.
-discussion on socials
-m/c to refer question of socials to executvie

10. Headquarters Report:
-report by Kent on progress of new HQ

11. Educational: Chaplan on What Is Inflation?

12. New Business:
-report on Dales and Louise's condition (accident injuries)

13. Calendar was read and adjournment at 10:45 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting --- April 7, 1975: 8:10 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Jennings. Secretary: Deutsch. Sgt-at-arms: Anderson.

2. Attendance: absent---Ashley, Morgan, Jones, Wilson.

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
-m/c to adopt minutes of April 3
-m/c to refer letter from Giffin re Phillipine Defence work

4. Membership and Contacts:
-report that Art K. in Orillia refuses to join the SL (according to Mazdak)

5. Executive Report:
-by Deutsch
-m/c that bookstore staff position be util ized as a transitional position toward putting a comrade on full-time staff as part of cadre building team
-m/c that Kent be interim bookstore staff person
-m/c to have a May Day Social on May 3 (small hall or house social)
-m/c to adopt executive report as a ~~unit~~ whole

6. Morgentaler Report:
-by Mills
-executive adopted a position of Amnesty for Morgentaler and setting up a single-issue, sponsorship Morgentaler Defence Committee for this purpose instead of CARAL (because of CARAL&S current weakness and its broader character)
-proposal from executive that Socialist League write a letter to Morgentaler
-m/c to adopt proposals

7. Fund Drive:
-report on progress of drive by Paddy
-m/c that comrades make their pledges by the next branch meeting

8. NDP Report:
-informational report on NDP Metro Regional Conference--very successful and very open
-resolutions on abortion (plus telegrams on Morgentaler) and May 10 action were passed
-successful Forward literature table
-m/c to adopt report as information

9. Educationals:
-evaluation of internal on inflation

10. Break for dues and pledges

11. Educational by Deutsch on our immigration policy

12. New Business:
-m/c to refer May 10 report to next branch meeting
-report on split within RMG BY Spartacist sympathizers
-report by Cameron on Toronto May Day Committee--Stalinist-dominated and doesn't involve the NDP or other forces in the left; therefore, we don't support it

-report on Alliance of Non-Zionist Jews by Levi
-m/c to table discussion on prospect of war in the Middle East
-report by Rad on Louise's improved condition

13. Claendar was read and adjournment at 11:10 p.m.

Minutes of Executive Meeting---April 8, 1975:

1. Chairperson: Lighthouse. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason---Willis
   -m/c to seat Levi, Roy

3. Phillipine Defence Work:
   -discussion of Giffins's request to assign a comrade to this work area
   -we should write Giffin for an assessment of what is involved in this work area in temms of its perspective and time involved
   -m/c to adopt this proposal

4. RMG Proposal for Vietnam Solidarity Demonstration:
   -m/c to send Kent to the planning meeting to express opposition to a street demonstration and argue for a meeting instead.

5. Campus Discussion:
   -reports by Red, Levi, and Roy on our work and perspective at York U. campus
   -m/c to accept report and that we assign campus comrades to draw up a written report

6. New Business:
   -we should contact LSA to tell them not to try to revive the old Morgentaler Defence Committee ~~and let them know that we are prepared to openly involve them in a new committee~~

7. Adjournment at 10:40 p.m.

Minutes of Branch meeting April 14, 1975 8:10

1, chairman- Jim C. Secretary; Kent. sargent at arms dispensed with at new HQ

2. Attendance; present;Kent,Jim C, Bill M, Zahir, Abie, Harry P , John D
Absent with reason primarily because of NDP meetings and social held in St Kitts for Forward- Stu, Gus, Julie, Wayne, Ellie, Alice, Gord, Rozie-,Carol, Dave, Fred, Jane Robert

3. Minutes and Correpondence. Motion to adopt minutes of April 7 with the ammendment that we have not decided to no longer participate in Stalinist dominated May Day preparations . Efforts are supposedly being made to widen it and we intend to attend next meeting. passed unan.
Letter from SL to Henry Morgentaler read-- motion to file-passed unan. Comrades urged to promote correspondence to him to keep up his morale

4. Membership and contacts--noted that it was decided to have other comrades go to the St Kits affair to firm up our contact there prior to Charlie & Judy leaving there--hopefully they will decide to come to Toronto rather than Vancouver.

5. Fund Drive-Report by Kent since Dave has been called back to work on night shift. Comrades pledges now at $1,798 and outside pledges at $74. Lists have been handed out for comrades to contact. This Sunday extensive phoning done. Harry P pledged $100 and Zahir $100

6. May Day. Harry P reported we are still in contact with the CP dominated May Day preparations. We have come across a communication for another united May Day event too late to participate in planning but we are now in contact. They report their planning meeting did not come off and they are holding a banquet -appears to be Maoist influenced trade union activists, with contact on Campus. They are contacting our campus comrades. At this time there seems little possiblity of a united May Day action --the Trotskyist left- LSA, RMG, Spartacus and Intl Socialists appear to have no plans together or separately. Black groups are holding a big affair over May 3-4 with Rodney and Leroy Jones now advocating a revolutionary communist party featured, Motherlead Union holding a May 2 demo-- Our social committee thereofre proposes that we hold a social affair May3rd. Harry gave report--a modest hall , investigating Neil Wyseck, plans to get student contact at York to prepare skit etc. and to draw St Kits. Report adopted unan

7. Report by Kent on April 10 meeting called by RMG for Vietnam demo. Only,RMG, LSA SL, Spartacus and Gyanese group turned up although it would appear that LAWG and one or two other groups are interested according to RMG reporter. RMG proposed a March. Kent proposed a meeting in view of the fact that we cannot anticipate a large participation. RMG prposed two slogans-- Solidarity with the Vietnam Revolution and No Imperialist Intervention. Two LSA reps opposed --want slogans that can mobilize mass forces, defensive formulations although they had no suggestions when it was pointed out that no matter the slogans the action could only be a solidarity with the vitorious drive of the revolution. Their arguments were in the framework that nothing substantial had changed and that the struggle was were it had been three or four years ago. Kent proposed two slogans Solidarity with the Vietnamese National Liberation Struggle and Hands off Vietnam. Voted down although one LSAer voted for the latter. Spartacus opposed proposed RMG poster.,too identified with NFL which will betray the struggle. RMG declared it is going to carry own poster with RMG and 4th symbol etc. but will participate in preparing an Ad Hoc Committe poster. which will carry other sponsors. Kent moved that it not be a march but a open air meeting at city hall ending up across the street at US consulate. RMG pressed for concession of a limited march around back of old city hall down Yonge a bloc along Queen to University up to condulate--agreed. Friday meeting to settle poster saw LSA withdraw. We contributed $20 and will participate..Report adopted unan

Report by Kent that Pat Shultz will be chairing a meeting planned at the OISE auditorium April 22. A coalition is being formed -Ad Hoc Committee to Stop Social Sector Cutbacks. The hope is to link up the Student-faculty and Staff forces fighting the government cutbacks with the Social sector groups also being hit by the cutbacks--daycare etc.

Educations--Report on 1st class held in new hdqtrs. Agreed that Abie's education on the Jewish question was excellent--good on the floor participation. St Kits contacts made a real addtiion to forum along with some York contacts who made the forum a success. Motion that we put out a notice of next forum--on the Reed book--as the old notice did not play up our new location--passed. Motion that tonights educational be a hat box.

Break for Dues and pledges

Hat box education centered around question of workers control struggles developing in England and elemental strivings this way in Canada at Temiskiming and Jolliette and on the question of State capitalist theories becoming more prominent with the formation of the ~~International~~ Independent Socialist Group here out of the Waffle and other forces.

Calendare--- Thursday and Friday LAWG ~~xxxxxx~~ commemoration of US invasion on Santo Domingo. Friday nite--our class on Evelyn Reed's book. Saturday city hall action in solidarity with the Vietnamese at 2 o clock. 8p.m. WarSaw Ghetto uprising meeting at Workmen's Circle. Sunday TCLPAC now called Toronto Committee for the Liberation of South Africa Festival 3 p.m. and banquet at 5;30. Monday SL meets

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Minutes of Executive Meeting---April 20, 1975:

1. Chairperson: Shier. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: abbent with reason---Lighthouse
m/c to seat Stone, Goldman, and Mills for women's discussion

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of April 3/75
m/c to adopt minutes of April 8/75 as amended

4. Morgentaler Defence:
-report by Mills on formation of Amnesty for Dr. Morgentaler Cttee.
-single-issue cttee with a phone and office (loaned by Gus T.)
-good response so far from prominent sponsors
-our evaluation is that Amnesty Cttee is going well and that its direction towards getting big sponsors is what we are for
-Amnsesty Cttee will be primarily a public body, [redacted] advising other groups on actions for Morgentaler

5. May 10 Cttee:
-evaluation by Volpe:
-very broad sponsorship and response (mushrooming)
-contributions coming in
-running battles with LSA (due to their ultraleftism and sectariansism)
-our intervention has been weak in terms of Forward
-our attitude in May 10 Cttee is for our comrdes to establish a Morgentaler contingent for demonstration
-at next general meeting, we will push for a big-name, general speaker
-we will find out from Pelrine about the May 19 Action and consider organizing buses to Ottawa for Morgentaler Amnesty

6. Adjournment at 1:50 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting---April 21, 1975: 8:10 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Morgan. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent---Ashley, Jennings, Lighthouse, Shier, and Jones.

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
   -m/c to adopt minutes of April 14/75

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -report by Deutsch
   -m/c to grant 2-week leave of absence to Levi
   -report on York ULS contacts based on campus fraction evaluation for possibilities for recruitment
   -recommendation to set up some classes with them to answer their questions and explain our ideas
   -m/c to adopt report

5. Campus Fraction Report:
   -by Roy
   -we are moving to promote Alice K. for secretary of students council at York to give political strength to our role in students council
   -we are pushing for ~~XXXX~~ Abie to be External Affairs director against the ULS NDPer
   -fraction recommends dropping libel suit against red-baiters on campus because it wouldn't aid us in any way now that the election has taken place and we have won
   -m/c to adopt report

6. Fund Drive:
   -report by Deutsch (Paddy was absent because of work shift)
   -need to really mobilize for pledges from contacts
   -m/c to set aside Wed. Nights, Sat., and Sun. for organizing contingents for contacts

7. Socials:
   -report by Cameron
   -still haven't lined up a hall
   -m/c to settle location this week in time for announcing at the Fri. class

8. May 10th Coalition Report:
   -by Deutsch (Volpe at program meeting)
   -general evaluation:
      -very broad sponsorship
      -contributions coming in from sponsoring groups
      -weak intervention in terms of doing Forward distributions
      -LSA's role is ultraleft and sectarian
   -we will try to organize a Morgentaler contingent in May 10th group
   -we will be pushing for getting some very prominent speakers like Laura Sabia to act as drawing cards for the demonstration
   -Pelrine is organizing what appears to be a Status of Women Lobby in Ottawa around May 17---we should consider organizing some buses to carry Morgentaler Amnesty forces to Ottawa at this time

9. Morgentaler Amnesty:
   -report by Mills
   -Amnesty Committee has received very prominent sponsorship from media, NDP, other parties, lawyers, etc.
   -Amnesty Cttee will be issuing public statements and act as a spearhead for any other group that wants to promote Amnesty
   -office has been established at Gus Tolentino's along with a phone
   -very successful sponsorship
   ~~-latest attacks against Morgentaler by~~

-latest attacks against Morgentaler by people like Choquette serve to spur Amnesty forces
-Amnesty Cttee will publish ads, do some fund raising, etc. and initiate a limited number of actions which others can pick up on
-m/c to adopt report
-Amnesty for Dr. Morgentaler buttons are being handled entirely through Forward Books
-we should be passing motions of solidarity with Amnesty for Dr. Morgentaler Committee at all public meetings

10. Educational Discussion:
-evaluation of class on Women's Evolution---had good emphasis on basic ideas
-m/c to change Friday night class from Marxism Against Religion to a forum on Vietnam and shove the class ahead
-m/c that Ross Dowson be forum speaker
-m/c to table class for May 2nd with a view to possibly cancelling it in favor of attending the Racism meeting with Leroy Jones and Rosemary Brown at OCE

11. Break for dues and pledges.
Excused: Smith and Robur

12. Educational Discussion:
-m/c that educational cttee meet and come down with a prepared educational for next week
-m/c to have a hatbox for tonight

13. Indochina Solidarity Demonstration:
-report by Kent on planning discussions and demonstration
-demo was narrow and had the character of a revolutionary celebration, which we supported because it couldn't be a mass action
-LSA refused to sponsor or build the meeting, yet came to demo, issued a leaflet attacked meeting for not being a mass action even though they had no slogans that could be of a mass character
-Spartacists carried a position of attack against leadership of national liberation struggle while RMG was totally uncritical and identified with HO Chi Minh
-only the SL dealt with Canada's role

14. Hatbox Educational:
-discussion of how Forward should approach the NDP in its articles

15. Calendar was read and adjournment at 10:30 p.m.

Minutes of Executive Meeting---April 29, 1975: 8:30 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Lighthouse. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: m/c to seat [redacted] Anderson

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of April 20/75

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -general discussion on problems of M&C including attendance at classes and forums, fund drive problems, frequency of socials, and feeding-in of comrades into work at the HQ
   -recognition of tendency of priority of SL internal work slipping due to comrades' involvement in external work areas
   -inconclusive as to how to remedy this problem

5. HQ Construction and Bookstore:
   -report by Kent on general progress
   -m/c to authorize additional loan of $300-$350 to Print shop in order to help sustain the rent

6. May 10th Cttee:
   -discussion of perspective for after the May 10 demonstration
   -proposal by Volpe to develop a Morgentaler Amnesty action in Ottawa coming after the May 10 action
   -m/c to structure a Morgentaler contingent built by our women comrades in the May 10th march with appropriate banners, placards, button sales, leaflets to make Amnesty for Dr. Morgentaler the central issue of the demonstration
   -m/c to raise the question of having a post-demonstration meeting of the May 10th Cttee to discuss what next in terms of Morgentaler Amnesty

7. New Business:
   -m/c that Anderson and Deutsch be assigned to see Ashley about her membership
   -m/c that we in general do free distributions to new audiences and sell at meetings of the left that know us and that comrades always accept money for papers

8. Adjournment at 10:35 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting---May 5, 1975: 8:15 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Anderson. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent---Ashley, Jennings, [illegible] Smith, Willis, Chaplan, Wilson
   -m/c to seat Mazdak

3. Minutes:
   -m/c that Deutsch be interim secretary
   -m/c that reading of last week's minutes be deferred till next week

4. Educational Report:
   -by Anderson
   -review of internal lineup---same as last week except pushed forward by one week
   -review of external lineup
   -m/c to adopt report

5. Educational: Anderson on municipal politics.

6. Treasurer's Report:
   -by Goldman
   -report on deficit due to comrades not paying dues and pledges on time
   -m/c to adopt report

7. Break for dues and pledges

8. Social Report:
   -by Cameron
   -evaluation of May Day Social---very successful, good atmosphere

9. Fund Drive Report:
   -by Deutsch on behalf of Paddy
   -we are $1,700 away from our goal with 10 days to go
   -problem of slipping pledges from sympathizers due to confusion arising from fracturing of the left
   -our attitude is to try to make the drive goal
   -suggestion of writing to Vancouver comrades to hold a fund-raising event for Forward
   -m/c to adopt report

10. Executive Report:
   -by Deutsch
   -report on May 10th
      -our line is to develop a strong Morgentaler Amnesty contingent and to turn the demonstration to have the character of an Amnesty for Dr. Morgentaler atmosphere, to distribute Forwards en masse, and to pose a followup meeting of the May 10th Cttee to discuss where next
      -report by Goldman on LSA's manoeuvres to get Liz Barclay as official speaker in lieu of popular big-name speakers
      -last general meeting of May 10th rejected having speakers like Laura Sabia and June Callwood
      -m/c to adopt report
   -report by Mills on Amnesty Cttee
      -Morgentaler is being charged on 4 of remaining charges
      -Pelrine is formally withdrawing from Amnesty Cttee in order to identify herself more prominently with fundraising for Morgentaler, which because of its pro-right-to-abortion character she considers should be separate from the Amnesty Cttee which deals with the democratic-legal aspect of Morgentaler's case
      -the Amnesty Cttee is proceeding with a press conference, an ad in the daily press, and a petition to the Privy Council

-our line should be that Pelrine remain on the Amnesty Cttee
-m/c that we in general do free distributions to new audiences and sell at meetings of the left that know us and that comrades always accept money for papers

11. New Business:
-report on Indochina Solidarity demonstration on Saturday in front of the US consulate (by Cameron)
- -we consciously limited our participation because of other priorities and the fact that we had already participated in an action

-report on Teach-In on Racism by Roy---poor attendance by Blacks
-report on Rally against racism by Stone---very well attended by blacks and enthusiastic meeting
-report on "Women in the Workforce" conference ---we distributed the paper and sold Amnesty buttons
-Good and Welfare---report on Louise---comrades urged to visit her

12. Calendar read; m/c to have next branch meeting on Tues. May 13 because of CARAL meeting on Monday night, which comrades will attend instead

13. Adjournment at 11:00 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting---May 13, 1975: 8:00 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Goldman. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent---Ashley, ~~M~~ Willis, and Jones.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of May 5
m/c to table minutes of April 28

4. Membership and Contacts:
-m/c to grant Anderson a one-week leave of absence

5. Educational Report:
-evaluation by Deutsch of external on Marxism versus Religion---good presentation but poor attendance probably due to last minute changing and cancelling of classes---therefore, in future we should not cancel unless very important event
-m/c that next forum be on May 23 on topic of evaluation of Portuguese elections with Wayne Roberts speaking
-m/c that following forum on May 30 be on topic of evaluation of the current stage of ~~M~~ the women's movement with Alice Klein speaking
-evaluation of previous internal by Anderson on municipal politics--evaluation by Kent that differences weren't sufficiently discussed out
-m/c that Immigration internal be held tonight and that internal on nature of North Vietnamese CP be held next week
-m/c to adopt educational report as a whole

6. NDP Report:
-by Goldman
-report on NDP leadership meeting held last week in Toronto---poorly attended because of poor publicity
-Rosemary Brown came across very well and tended to pull other candidates to the left
-evaluation of leadership candidates---recommendation that we openly give critical support to Rosemary Brown within framework of our support for the NDP
-the left is generally supporting Brown and she is furthest left and therefore we are justified in supporting her
-m/c to refer question of support for Brown's leadership to exec. and NDP fraction for discussion to be brought to branch afterwards

7. Fund Drive Report:
-by Deutsch (for Paddy who is working)
-comrades' pledge to fund drive has gone over the top ($2,687) with $647 received in pledges of actual money
-contacts' pledge has only attained $585.40 with $495.40 received
-m/c to extend fund drive for 2 weeks
-m/c to adopt fund drive report

8. Break for dues and pledges.

9. Educational on a class-struggle immigration policy by Deutsch

10. Women's Liberation:
-report by Volpe
-evaluation of May 10th march
-highly successful---large numbers, enthusiastic
-probably about 1,000 marched---probably largest action to date of the women's movement

-fairly good sponsorship, e.g. trade union locals
-t.u. local leaderships probably were ahead of membership in coming behind the demo.---poor attendance of union women
-CP was absent but substantial ultraleft participation
-SL intervention was very effective---sold about 440 buttons (both Amnesty and Every Mother a Willing Mother....) and we distributed a lot of papers and sold some books at our lit. stand
-abortion chants predominated
Pelrine's speech was very well received
-poor press coverage
-the 2 predominant issues were abortion and day care
-projections for the future of May 10th group
-our line should be: 1) to play up May 24 demo. in Ottawa for Morgentaler
2) to pose a fall action around demands of Status of Women Council
-m/c to carry above lines
-m/c to have short informational report on CARAL
-40 people at first meeting of Toronto CARAL
-about 10 came as a result of May 10th demo.
-CP and SL were there but no other tendencies
-new people---feeling of activism and went beyond just letter writing proposals of more conservative elements
-buses are being chartered for Ottawa on May 24th
-Lighthouse, Cameron, and Stuart are on steering committee of Toronto CARAL along with 3 or 4 CPers
-several people left the meeting early around disussion of organizing letterwriting campaign because they apparently were bored
-m/c to adopt report

11. New Business:
-m/c to have next branch meeting on Tues. May 20

12. Calendar and Adjournment at 11:25 p.m.

Minutes of Executive Meeting --- May 15, 1975: 8:00 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Kent. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason --- Shier, Lighthouse.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of April 29.

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -discussion of Jones' membership
      -m/c to invite Jones to come to a future executive meeting which is convenient for her to attend in order to discuss her membership
   -discussion of Ashley's membership
      -report by Deutsch on discussion with Ashley over the phone---impression is that she accepts status of sympathizer
      -m/c to authorize Deutsch to accept that status with her
   -discussion of Anderson coming on staff for the bookstore and ~~therefore~~ the exec. and the editorial board
      -m/c to invite Anderson to come to exec. meeting which will be held next Tues. at 7:00 p.m. in order to discuss out this set of proposals

5. NDP Leadership Discussion:
   -m/c to support Rosemary Brown for NDP leadership within framework of critical support for the NDP

6. Campus Report:
   -report by Red
   -report on NUS Conference and its left wing---NUS is reformist and CP-influenced
   -report on York U.
   -our approach to the Ont. Fed. of Students is to pose support for the NDP, mass rally against cutbacks, action on student unemployment, action on women's issues
   -metro post-secondary schools conference on June 14 to build common fronts
   -m/c to adopt line of report

7. Women's Liberation Report:
   -report on May 10th post-demo review---enthusiastic response to action on May 24 in Ottawa around Morgentaler (CARAL action)
   -Women in the workforde group seem to be moveing forward and we should get involved.

8. Adjournment at 10:45 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting---May 20, 1975: 8:10 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Robur. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: late---~~XXXXX~~ Levi, Roy
-absent--Paddy, Chaplan, Willis, Jones,

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
-m/c to adopt minutes of May 13 as amended
-m/c to table April 28 minutes and be presented by reconstruction as soon as possible

4. Membership and Contacts:
-recommendation by Deutsch that M&C Cttee discuss approaching Chris J. for recruitement
-discussion of Calvin J. as a potential recruit---shows great desire to involve himself with SL
---m/c that M&C Cttee contact Calvin about joining the movement

5. Executive Report:
-m/c to adopt executive's proposal of critical support of Rosemary Brown for the leadership of the NDP within framework of our strategic orientation to the NDP because she poses a socialist perspective and opens up the party for the left
-report on campus work from the exec.
-we support and participate in the metro Toronto grouping of post-secondary students around building common fronts against the cutbacks
-our ~~XXX~~ approach th the Ont. Fed. of Students :
-pose support for the NDP
-mass rally against the cutbacks
-actions on student unemployment
-actions on women's issues
-evaluation of National Union of Students: reformist body with a weak base on campuses, heavily influenced by the CP
-report by Levi on developments at NUS conference and left students from Quebec and York U.
-m/c to adopt campus reports

6. Report on Canadian Arab Federation:
-by Levi
-report on favorable response and involvement of Alliance of Non-Zionist Jews through Abie Weisfeld's presentation at the conference
-Forward was well received---made good contacts among socialist Arabs
-report on fascists' attempt to identify with the meeting and our role in getting them removed
-m/c to adopt the report

7. Educational Report:
-evaluation of previous external on Marxism, Existentialism, and Individualism---good presentation by Jane, major and heated debate on determinism took place with a great deal of confusion
-m/c that discussion on determinism be taken up by educational cttee. for a report back to the branch
-m/c that educational cttee. meet to discuss internal lineup
-m/c that tonight we have a hatbox educational

8. Break for dues and pledges.

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9. Educational: Hatbox on inflation, women's liberation and gay liberation.

10. Women's Liberation Report:
    -by Deutsch (from exec.)
    -report on May 10th post-demo review meeting---our line is to move ahead for a fall action around Status of Women demands
    -report on Women in the Workforce group---we should allocate the time of some woman comrades to work in this important area
    -m/c to adopt line of Women's movement discussion

11. CARAL Report:
    -march on Ottawa for Amnesty for Morgentaler is proceeding for May 24---we are supporting and participating but not mobilizing
    -m/c to adopt report as information

12. New Business:
    -discussion of branch night---possibly Wed. or Thurs.---cmrdes will be informed after organizer debermines the best night
    -m/c to refer the question of starting time for branch meetings to the exec.

13. Calendar was read and adjournment at 10:25 p.m.

Minutes of Executive Meeting---May 25, 1975: 11:30 a.m.

1. Chairperson: Red. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason: Kent, ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Shier
   -m/c to seat Anderson (12:40 p.m.)

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of May 15 as amended

4. Report on CARAL Demo in Ottawa:
   -by Volpe
   -about 250 people---broad speakers
   -modestly successful action with good press coverage
   -assessment is that CARAL is rising in prestige
   -Pelrine and other leaders in CARAL did not come
   -we erred seriously in not bringing Forwards to demo.
   -m/c that at next CARAL meeting we pose a social for CARAL and also a longer range proposal for a benefit conference for Morgentaler

5. Women's Liberation:
   -discussion of our line for May 10th group
   -our line is to propose an action in Ottawa for the early fall and to use the summer period to build it around the same demands as before---we will be sympathetic to action proposals centered around the provincial election
   -m/c to adopt line

6. Campus:
   -by Red
   -debate in Ont. Fed. Of Students centers around election campaign strategy
   -CPers in OFS probably won't have delegates because they are not based in the campuses
   -our line will be to ask OFS to endorse the NDP because of its program on education
   -we are pushing for a fall conference and rally of OFS to discuss cutbacks
   -our line is to try to pull together a slate or partial slate with Dale running for leadership of OFS, the presidency if possible, on a student activist and pro-NDP program
   -report on dispute between OFS field workers (CUPE local) and executive on issue of having a fulltime office manager in control of field workers---our line is opposition to the idea of an office manager (another bureaucrat) and support for the OFS electing fulltime staff to its executive instead
   -m/c to adopt the line of the report

7. Membership and Contacts:
   -m/c to recommend that Anderson come on staff for the bookstore, onto the exec. and the editorial board
   -discussion of Ashley's membership---report by Deutsch
   ---m/c to pose to Ashley the executive's proposal that she step down from membership and acquiesce to becoming a close sympathizer
   -discussion of Mill's withdrawal from the movement---m/c to grant Mills a 6-month leave of absence

8. New Business:
   -SL should send a card and gift for Louise from the movement

9. Adjournment at 1:50 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting --- May 28, 1975: 8:10 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Morgan. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent without cause---Jennings, Smith, Stuart, Willis, Jones, Wilson.

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
   -m/c to adopt minutes of May 20/75

4. Educational Report:
   -m/c that John D. chair forum on Evaluation of the Women's Movement
   -proposed forum lineup:
      -Cliche Commission and Quebec labor--speaker: Stu
      ---Marxism and Alienation--speaker: Gord
      -Inflation:--speaker: Zahir
   -m/c to adopt forum lineup and speakers
   -internals:
      -next week--Morgan on the Language in Quebec
      -proposal for following week:
         -evaluation of the Independent Socialists to be presented by Red--m/c to adopt
   -evaluation of previous forum on Portugal
   -m/c to refer question of having guest speakers to educational committee
   -m/c to refer discussion of non-attendance of ULSers at our forums to the educational committee in conjunction with the York comrades

5. Educational: Red on the nature of the North Vietnamese CP.

6. Break for dues and pledges.

7. Membership and Contacts:
   -report by Deutsch
   -m/c to grant Mills an indefinite leave of abscence because of his personal feeling of demoralization
   -discussion Of Chris J. and Calvin J. for membership--m/c to refer to M&C committee for an active policy

8. Campus Report:
   -by Red
   -we are putting forward support of the NDP to the Ont. Fed. of Students at this coming weekend's conference -- using the position on students in the universities (excellent program)
   -we are actively moving towards running a left slate at OFS if possible with a view to running Dale for president of OFS
   -m/c to adopt line of report

9. Women's Movement:
   -report by Volpe on CARAL demo in Ottawa--very

successful in terms of spirit and breadth of speakers
-CARAL appears to be taking off as an activist movement
-proposals from executive to be presented by comrades at CARAL steering cttee meeting: 1. social event for CARAL membership; 2. fundraising benefit for Morgentaler
-m/c to adopt CARAL report
-report on May 10th group
-poor attendance at meeting
-we put forward concept of pan-Canadian action in Ottawa around May 10th demands
-no decision was taken; new mtg to occur in 3 weeks
-2 positions to be discussed at next mtg--ours and LSA proposal for a conference in Toronto in September to prepare for action in March 1976
-m/c to adopt report
-m/c to excuse Stone from meeting

10. Social Committee Report:
-by Deutsch
-m/c to adopt idea of picnic for June 8

11. NDP Report:
-report on delegates to federal NDP Convention--one cmrde is a delegate so far
-comrades should identify with Rosemary Brown's socialist views in riding meetings
-discussion of resolutions we want to put forward--active support of abortion repeal, support for Dr. Morgentaler, nationalization of energy and mineral resources, immigration, NORAD and NATO
-policy during provincial elections--we should try to get in on program discussions and to confine our organizational role to taking on a poll
-metro NDP--cmrdes should all try to be metro delegates or alternates from their ridings
--we will try to draw up a brief on role of metro coordinating cttee to keep it going as a dynamic, active body
-m/c to adopt report

12. Fund Drive Report:
-cmrdes' pledges: $2,700 with $1,940 owing.
-contacts' pledges: $1,145 with $370 owing
-total pledge: $3,845
-m/c to keep fund drive open so that cmrdes can pay up pledges by next week

13. New Business.

14. Calendar and Adjournment at 10:45 p.m.

Minutes of Executive Meeting---June 4, 1975: 8:20 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Volpe. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason---Kent.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of May 25

4. Membership and Contacts;
   -discussion of Ashley s letter to executive
   -bases of our procedure:
   1. we all agree that she has not fulfilled minimal requirements of membership
   2. we note she is now willing to accept minimum requirements of membership
   3. we will discuss her membership with her in light of these understandings stressing that she must fulfill membership requirements

   -report on M Jones -- Deutsch unable to get in touch by phone and so a letter has been sent to ask her to meet with exec. about her membership
   -report on Goldman--m/c to endorse dropping her from NDP coordinatorship with the understanding that she will be pulling back on her NDP work in order to move her into the Amnesty for Dr. Morgentaler Committee to complete the project of putting out an ad, and dropping her from the position of treasurer
   -m/c to approach Jennings for position of treasurer
   -m/c to approach Roy for secretary

5. Campus Report:
   -report by Red on OFS conference
   -successful in bringing in ULSers
   -Liberal-CP bloc defeated our line of support for the NDP in favor of taking no party position for or against
   -Made good contacts among radicals from other campuses
   -OFS is committed to speaking tour for Morgentaler in conjunction with CARAL
   -won a motion in solidarity with Ukrainian dissidents
   -Dale and Abie stepped down from exec. nominations to OFS because our policies weren't adopted and we could not expect to gain much from holding posts which burden them down
   -good literature sales, paper distribution, and got some subs
   -ULS classes have been agreed to by leading ULS members, to discuss basic socialist topics--decision was to hold XXXXXXXXX first one at HQ but without involving comrades other than those at York U.
   -m/c to refer question of holding ULS class at

HQ to the next executive meeting

6. Women's Report:
   -report on CARAL by Lighthouse
   -report on Harry K's work in trying to form a lawyer's committee for Dr. Morgentaler
   -m/c to adopt report

7. New Business:
   -question of start-time of Branch meetings--agreed that we couldn't start earlier than 8:00 o'clock
   -m/c to refer discussion of membership problems to next exec. meeting

8. Adjournment at 11:00 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting---June 5, 1975: 8:10 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Levi. Secretary: (temporary) Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent without Cause--Ashley, Jennings, Shier

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of May 28, 1975

4. Executive Report:
   -m/c to endorse executive proposal that Goldman be dropped from positions of NDP coordinator and treasurer and pull back back on NDP activities to be reassigned to active work in the Amnesty for Dr. Morgentaler Committee
   -m/c to table recommendation that Jennings be treasurer pending our finding out if he can attend branch meetings Thurs. nights
   -m/c that Roy be secretary of the branch in lieu of Red

5. Women's Movement:
   -report by Schriebman on organizing lawyers for Dr. Morgentaler--m/c to adopt report
   -report by Lighthouse on CARAL--activist planning meeting of CARAL on June 19; our proposal for fundraising benefit for Dr. Morgentalwe was adopted and will be presented at the meeting
   -CP is actively involved and is operating in accord with our line
   -report that Saskatoon women are coming in behind the idea of a fall action in Ottawa around the demands of the May 10th Cttee and they are attempthing to organize a regional action as well

6. Metro Toronto Coordinating Cttee:
   -by Anderson
   -Stu Sinclair was elected onto steering cttee
   -report on dispute around brief for de-centralization of city being drawn up by some activists for Robarts Commission---this brief lacks clear class politics
   -proposal for city newsletter was adopted
   -m/c to adopt report

7. Social Cttee Report:
   -by Cameron on the picnic
   -games and events are being organized
   -proposal to charge $1.00 per adult to cover costs
   -m/c to adopt report

8. Fund Drive Report:
   -report by Deutsch (for Paddy--at work)
   -total raised: $4,013; from comrades: $2,750; from contacts: $1,263---actual amount collected was $2,177
   -m/c to adopt report

9. Educational Report:

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-evaluation of internal on North Vietnamese CP by Red---considered to be very well done
-evaluation of forum on Women's Movement---discussion of debate with LSAers; generally good discussion period
-m/c that tonight's internal be on our work in the student movement
-m/c to set internal lineup scheduled one week ahead
-m/c to adopt educational report

10. Break for dues and pledges.

11. m/c to excuse Schriebman, Stuart, and Robur from branch meeting.

12. Educational report on student movement by Red and Levi:
    -report on OFS Conference:
        -our position of support for NDP was ~~barely~~ defeated by a CP-Liberal bloc in favor of taking no position
        -Abie and Dale stepped down from leadership contest because of the work load involved and the fact that we would be saddled with poor policies
        -however, speaking four for CARAL and support for Ukrainian dissidents were supported
        -good contacts were made
        -we are in touch with radicals at 9 campuses in Ont. and Que.

13. New Business:
    -m/c to refer report on subs and sub renewals to exec.
    -m/c to table question of branch treasurer to next branch meeting
    -report on Camp Poundmaker by Kent
        -exec. should deal with question of having at the Camp

14. Calendar and Adjournment at 10:45 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: June 12th 75 8:10 pm.

1. Chair: Red. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: Absent without known cause -- Paddy.
Late:-- Jennings (8:30), Smith (8:30).

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of June 5th.

4. Executive Report: Deutsch
m/c that Jennings be treasurer
m/c that Lighthouse be excused from educational committee.

5. Womens' movement: Deutsch
Report on Morgentaler Amnesty Committee, Lawyers for Morgentaler, press conference and CARAL meeting. M/c that the lawyers should move to hold their own press conf. M/c that comrades make pro-amnesty motions at all public meetings. M/c that the next branch meeting be held on June 18 so as not to conflict with the CARAL meeting on the 19th. In general, branch meetings will continue to have priority. M/c to grant Deutsch and Stone 3 1/2 weeks' leave of absence, beginning in July.
Adopted.

6. Trade Union Report: Chapin.
Report on Cole Steel local meeting and CSAO local. M/c to hold one particular class ~~on~~ for the Cole Steel local. Adopted. M/c to excuse Chaplan and to excuse Smith to attend a meeting.

7. Educational Committee Report: Deutsch.
M/c to have hatbox internal tonight, to move internal to end of agenda, and to table internal on Quebec. M/c that Kent give a 10- minute internal on determinism sometime. Report by Deutsch on OCI (Lambertistes). M/c to debate Quebec nationalism and refer speaker to educational cttee. M/c to refer the structure of the discussion on Portugal to the cttee. M/c to have forum on immigration on the 27th and refer the speaker to the cttee. M/c to have forum on the penal system and to table remainder of report.
Evaluation of Stu's forum on Quebec labor -- very good. M/c to have Poundmaker weekend on weekend of July 1 and that the topic of the educational be the nature of Marxism.

8. Campus Report: Red.
Report on Metro Cutbacks Conference and PIRG (Public interest Research Groups) meeting -- PIRGs represent a step backward in terms of raising class consciousness and must be opposed. M/c to hold ULS educationals at HQ.

9. Social Report: Deutsch.
Evaluation of picnic -- very successful.

10. New Business: nil

11. Calendar and adjournment at 11 pm.

June 14, 1975

Dear Comrade:

At the last branch meeting, it was decided that the coming membership meeting of CARAL on Thursday, June 19 is a key and highly important meeting in the struggle to build an offensive for amnesty for Dr. Morgentaler and for repeal*laws. Both Eleanor Pelrine and June Callwood will be addressing the meeting which will be followed by a social. We will be posing the prospect of a demonstration for Morgentaler's release on Saturday. Therefore, all comrades are expected to go to the CARAL meeting to participate in the discussion, make contacts, etc. We want to generate a real activist mood. In addition, a couple of comrades will be selling Amnesty buttons and distributing Forward, which is quite attuned to this particular meeting. The meeting takes place at 8:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Church, 121 Avenue Road (just south of Davenport).

Obviously, the branch meeting, which we decided would normally be on Thursday night, has to be changed <u>for this week</u>. The last branch meeting decided on holding it on Wednesday, June 18. The following branch meeting will be on Thursday, June 26.

Because the meetings which we mobilize for are considered to have a high political importance for the work and development of the Socialist League, it is anticipated that all comrades will set aside other things in order to attend. Or, if this is not feasible, they will inform the movement by getting in touch with me or with Stu at the headquarters.

See you at the meetings,

Gord Doctorow

Gord Doctorow.

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Minutes of Toronto Branch: June 18th 75 8:10 pm.

1. Chair: Lighthouse. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: absent without known cause: Levi.
Late: Stone, Cameron, Smith (8:30).

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of June 12th.

4. Educational by Red on the Independent Socialists.

5. Treasurer's Report: Deutsch.
Back dues and pledges owing amount to $1009, and our bank account is down. M/c to have full report next week on owing dues and pledges.

6. CARAL Report: Cameron
Report on upcoming CARAL meeting -- expected to be very large, Morgentaler is a hot issue. M/c that the concept of a vigil, near City Hall, beginning Friday afternoon (June 19) and lasting until Morgentaler's release if possible, be projected at the meeting. M/c to skip social report.

7. Educational Commitee Report:
M/c that Jane C. chair forum on June 20th. M/c that plans for the 3 day Boundmaker weekend be flexible enough to accomodate those who can stay only 2 days. M/c to hold two basic Marxist educationals at the camp, that fees be set at cost, and that the May 10th Report be skipped.

8. New Business:
Report by Stone on Bill 100 -- a defeat for the teachers, but hailed as a victory by the LSA.

9. Membership and contacts committee Report: m/c to move to recruit Paul K.

10. Calendar and adjournment at 10:40 pm.

Minutes of Branch Meeting---June 26, 1975: 8:10 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Jennings. Secretary: (temporary) Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent--Shier, Volpe, Jones
late--Red
m/c to seat Hanson

3. Minutes and Correspondence:
-m/c to adopt minutes of June 18/75
-correspondence on defence of Spanish militants
-report by Kent on Spanish defence planning meeting-we are in united front with RMG, LSA, Sparts, Laxer, and others--agreed to common demo in front of Spanish consulate

4. Educational Report:
-by Anderson
-report on Camp Poundmaker weekend preparations
-report on forum lineup--established by exec. because of timing for mailing (not allowing for previous discussion in branch)
--evaluation of Zahir's forum on inflation
-discussion of internal lineup-m/c that next internal be on analysis of Portugal and that Shier be approached to give it
-m/c to refer chairperson for forum on Morgentaler Amnesty to educational coordinator

5. Membership:
-Anderson welcomed Hanson to membership of branch

6. Break for dues and pledges.

7. Executive Report:
-by Deutsch
-m/c that Roy be added to Membership and Contact Committee in light of Mills inability to play any role
-m/c that Andersen be interim organizer while Deutsch is on holiday
-m/c to move toward recruiting Paul K.

8. Report on Morgentaler Amnesty:
-by Deutsch
-reports on vigil and amnesty ad

9. Trade Union Report:
-by Anderson
-report on Steelworkers Conference and comrades' union situations

10. Campus Report:
-by Red
-report on Nader's Public Interest Research Groups for the campuses
-our line is to oppose PIRG's and to try to get coordinated research with Ont. Fed. Of Labor
-report on York U.

11. New Business:
-report by Deutsch on expulsion of ISers from NDP

Continued...

-m/c to grant 10-day leave of absence from July 11 for Jennings and Cameron
-m/c to grant 2-wk. leave of absence for Thorson from July 12
-m/c to grant 1-wk. leave of absence from tomorrow for Red.

12. Calendar and Adjournment at 10:30 p.m.

Minutes of Executive Meeting July 1, 1975

1) Chairperson: Anderson Secretary: Deutsch
2) Attendance: a. w. r. W & D
3) Minutes: June 22 adopted as read.
4) Menbership: -moved that Deutsch meet with Jones at the NDP convention and tell her that if she wishes to remain a member of the SL she must act under its discipline at the convention. carried
-moved that Anderson & Lighthouse be assigned to have recruiment talkes with P.K. carried.

5) NDP convention: -report by Deutsch on left forces coming to convention.
-discussion of our intervention & the necessity to make connections with Brown forces, B.C. wo's caucus etc.

6) CARAL & VIgil -report by Lighthouse The vigil was forced ##to liquidate for lack of sustaining forces (organized forces) although it was still the longest vigil inthe country.
-we must now try toinvole the vigil people in CARAL & direct the whole effort along with the telegram toward the benefit concert in the early fall.

7) May 10th Committee -report by Volpe. discussion continueing in committee, RMG threw small spanner in the works by raising the question of new demands for the committee. We will push for a demonstration in Ottawa in the fall - same demands same sponcers.

8) Forum Attendance -comrades's attendance low, lately will encourage greater attendance to help do contact work.

9) Sub Renewals -moved that we hold a modest sub renewal drive in the areas where we sold subs during the last federal election. carried

10) New Business -moved that Anderson be nominated as interim NDP coordinator.

11) Adjournment -at 10:35 P.M.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: July 3rd 75 : 8:00 pm

1. Chair: Ashley. Secretary: Anderson.
2. Attendance: absent without known cause: ~~Mike~~ Willis, ~~Rick~~, Goldman, Chaplan, Jones, Wilson, Cameron.
   Late: Jennings (8:30), Smith (8:30), Roy (8:15)
3. Minutes: m/c to table minutes
4. Membership & contacts ctte report: m/c to recruit P.K.
5. NDP convention report: by Kent
   - one comrade elected a delegate
   - observers: Reggie, Lois B. Jones, Charlie L.
   - no resolutions yet available, little prior preparation
   - NATO-NORAD question very important.
   - leadership race will tend to generate a left-wing atmosphere.
   - Rosemary Brown will be focus for left-wing, needs formal caucus. We will try to move into this current.
   - very important force will be generated around BC womens' forces
   - we will set up book & literature display.
   - we will help circulate Chris Harris' expulsion appeal leaflet.
   - m/c to adopt report.
6. CARAL & Vigil report: by
   - we had hoped vigil would would culminate in a mass rally, but this was vetoed by CARAL

- forced to wrap up vigil, but great success, involving many new activists.
- we will now try to draw activists into CARAL
- aside from Toronto & Montreal, where a small action was held, no other protests were held in Canada; left groups have not touched the Morgentaler issue.
- it is felt that the new activists can carry spot actions in various plazas — about 4000 signatures on petition expected.
- May 10th committee will try to establish time & place of fall action so that publicity can go out
- m/c to adopt report.

7. Treasurer's report: by Jennings. Dues & pledges owing.
8. Break for dues & pledges.
9. Sub renewals report: m/c to hold renewal drive in areas where subs. were sold during last election
   - m/c to refer to executive exact procedure
   - m/c to adopt report.
10. Educational by Shier on Portugal
    - AFM a contradictory formation with large left wing, cannot be dismissed as reactionary.
11. Forum evaluation: very good, but poor attendance by comrades. Comrades urged to build forums.
12. New business — Spanish prisoners demo. on 4th
13. Camp Poundmaker report by Kent: very successful but lack of central planning.
14. Calendar & adjournment at 10:03.

Treasurer (found in July)

Report on Pounmaker June July 1975 weekend

We made a profit of approximately 51.62
Transit costs were not properly organized and resulted in comrades who were so good as to supply their cars getting very little for their costs. Nothing had been worked out at 53 Gerrard and All I was able to do was to try to assure everyone a lift and to tell then that I figured that everyone who got transit should pay the person taking them back in the sum of about ~~$450~~ $ 4.50 which we would try to assure got shifted around to the various drivers. This is very bad as it tends to alienate those who made their cars available for this project and reduce their probability of doing so on the next ocassion we need them. This should be worked out at the very beginning and collected by someone at the point of departure, receipts and everything, sothat we can handle th is in a systematic and fair way.
No preparations were made for handling funds at the camp end either. There was no receipt book, no change when I moved into that gap.

We served ~~29~~ 30 people two or more meals--we put up 25 people, most of them for only one night however, as our transit wanted to get away after two full days at the camp. This would lead one to believe that an ordinary weekend is sufficient.

My impression is that the three educationals over the two days was by no means too much--they were well attended and apparently well appreciated. Too bad all the speakers were men.

CAMP POUNDMAKER RULES

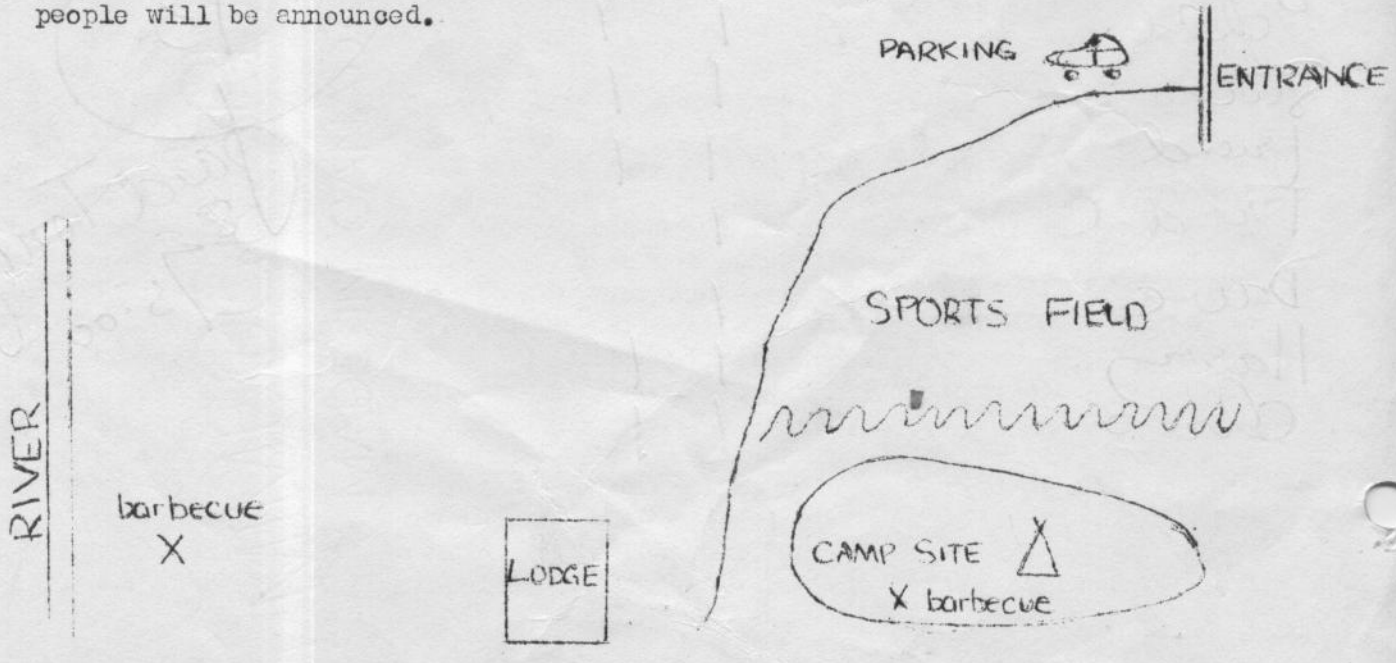
1. It is illegal to have liquor outside a private tent (which counts as a place of abode). The main lodge is a public place and is not a place of abode. Please take note.
2. The campsite area will become a quiet area after 10 pm, since some people may want to go to sleep at that time.
3. Because of the shortage of facilities for sleeping, there will be dormitory style sleeping.
4. Everyone is responsible for bringing and taking care of their own bedroll or sleeping bag.
5. Beware of the poison ivy.
6. So that we know where people are and that they are near to the sanitary facilities of the camp, tents will be pitched in the camp area.
7. To limit the danger of fire there will be no fires except at the two (2) specified barbecues. The barbecue by the river will be used after sundown.
8. Standard meal hours are: breakfast 8-9 am; lunch 12:30-1:30; supper 6-7 pm. Subject to change due to summer school schedule.
9. The kitchen is out of bounds for everyone except the staff.
10. Please do not destroy the natural wild life of the area or damage living trees. Only authorized people will cut fire wood.
11. To avoid the polluting of the camp area all garbage must be cleaned out of the camp to the dump. Everything must be burned. All garbage will be put in the containers supplied. Don't leave glass containers lying around.
12. To prevent the danger of damage to cars they will be parked up the hill in the parking area. Cars which are used to sleep in may be parked down the hill and unloading can come down the hill.
13. The camp cannot be responsible for damage, loss or theft of personal belongings.

WORK PROJECTS

People will be assigned to help on the following projects:

1. Meals: setting up hall; cooking; serving; cleanup.
2. Garbage pickup and disposal; latrines.

On each summer school weekend there will also be a steering committee in charge; people supervising the kitchen; and someone in charge of accomodations. These people will be announced.



Minutes of Toronto Branch: July 10th 75 8:10 pm

1. Chair: Red Secretary: Roy
2. Attendance: absent without known cause —
Schriebman, Stuart, Smith, Cameron, Willis, Goldman, Chaplan, Jones, Wilson. Late – Levi (8:20), Sher (8:30)
3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of June 26th & July 3rd.
4. Membership & contacts: Anderson
– m/c to recruit Paul K. next branch meeting
5. Educational cttee report: Anderson.
– m/c to have report on NDP convention by Sher tonight, on natl. & language question in Quebec by Morgan July 24th, & on Canadian & Quebec nationalism by Jennings July 31st.
– m/c to refer July 17th edl. to cttee.
– m/c to hold panel forum on July 18th on NDP Convention, to hold July 25th forum on role of Canadas' armed forces by Kent, and August 1st forum on womens movement with speaker to be referred to organizer.

-m/c to adopt report.

6. Treasurer's report
   -m/c to delay break
7. Campus report: Red
   - Administration insists on firing Versafood workers, official protests lodged by ~~president of~~ Dale Ritch with David Archer & NDP critic. Proposed getting signatures on petition from entire campus. Union reps. hesitant to set up pickets in summer because they may be deprived of unemployment insurance, prefer fall action when students are around. Scenario proposed for takeover & workers' control.
   -m/c to refer strategy to exec. & campus fraction.
8. Break for dues & pledges
9. New business
   - report by Levi on Ukrainian conference
   - comrades urged to conserve files scrupulously
   - Spanish pol. prisoners demo report - Anderson. Narrow, insignificant, dominated by squabbling Trotskyists of LSA, RMG, Sparts.
10. Calendar & adjournment at 10:00 pm.

Minutes of Toronto Branch : July 17th 1975 : 8:05 pm

① Chair : Morgan. Secretary : Roy

② Minutes : m/c to adopt minutes of July 10th

③ Attendance : absent without known cause — Levi, Lighthouse, Goldman, Schriebman, Smith, Stuart, Willis, Chaplan, Jones, Wilson

④ Membership & contacts : Anderson ZB has applied to join,
- [redacted]. wants to remain outside SL for some time, work in NDP, etc.
- P. K. on holiday for 2 weeks, will be recruited when he returns. Adopted.

⑤ Morgentaler report : Anderson
- vigil activists formed subcttee within CARAL. Sectarians, who never got involved, are not in it. CARAL has been stimulated. Protest picnic over Morgentaler jailing slated for July 27th. Adopted

⑥ May 10th cttee report : Anderson
- cttee in stagnation, sectarian efforts at takeover. Best activists have moved into CARAL. Adopted.

⑦ Edl. report : Anderson
- Panel for forum on 18th fell through — only Charlie L. turned up. Good turnout & discussion.

⑧ Break for dues & pledges

⑨ Edl. by Anderson on Sask. Waffle. Leftward advance

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LSA prognosis of nationalists becoming bourgeois & opportunist has been refuted. Wafflers still do not regard NDP as necessary transitional step for workers' consciousness, regard it as an unqualified obstacle.

(10) New Business:

— Chaplan's CUPE local is about to vote on ratification of contract. We ~~urge them to accept under protest.~~ recognize it as totally inadequate and strongly protest.

— Hansen was at Simcoe demo.

— m/c to ~~adj~~ investigate new election legislation discriminating against radical groups — referred to organizer.

— m/c to grant Paddy 3 weeks leave of ~~absence~~ absence

(11) Calendar & adjournment at 9:15

Minutes of Toronto Branch: July 24th 1975 8:10 pm

① Chair: Smith. Secretary: Roy

② Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of July 17th

③ Correspondence: 2 letters from Deutsch read. m/c to file

④ Attendance: m/c to seat Charlie L.
Absent without known cause — Cameron, Schriebman, Stuart, Willis, ~~Wolpe~~, Jones. Late with reason: Volpe

⑤ Educational report: no mailing or phoning was done for forum on 25th. m/c to discuss structure of forum series for the rest of the summer. m/c to hold forums on biweekly basis. m/c to refer to executive.
m/c to have no chairman for 25th forum
m/c to discuss possibilities of anti-nuclear weapons campaign tonight as the educational

⑥ Treasurer's report - Jennings

⑦ Educational on anti-nuclear weapons campaign by Anderson

⑧ Trade union report — Smith on nurses contract. 15-month contract is inadequate, some hospitals have voted to reject (each hospital has one vote).

⑨ Social report — Anderson. m/c to hold camp on 9th August rather than in mid-August, because some Brock students would be unable to attend.

- m/c to adopt social report.

(10) Womens' report - lighthouse
- protest picnic cancelled — in L's absence the timid and meek were able to deflate the actuvist sentiment.
- CARAL meeting of July 23rd decided to focus on one big fall action and cancel benefit concert
m/c to refer to executive.

(11) New business
- left-wing leadership of Cdn. Arab Federation is planning a big protest rally at Massey Hall August 8th to protest PLO exclusion from UN Conference. ANZJ will have a speaker. All left groups are invited to assist rally. RMG will be embarrassed because of its sectarian orientation to PLO. m/c to refer to exec. m/c to grant Levi 4-week leave of absence

(12) Calendar & adjournment at 10:30

Minutes of Branch Meeting (Toronto) -- July 31, 1975:

1. Chairperson: Volpe. Secretary: Red.

2. Attendance: absent--Jones, Stuart, Wilson
late--Cameron

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of July 24/75

4. Membership and Contacts:
-report by Deutsch
-Guy M. is not coming to Toronto in the fall, but is going to school in Sudbury instead
-P. McKenzie was welcomed into the branch
-m/c to grant Andersen a one week leave of abscence beginning Aug. 3

5. Report on Deutsch's and Stone's Trip Out West:
-by Deutsch
-report on Winnipeg NDP Convention, contacts that were made out west, and on the situation in Vancouver
-while we cannot send someone out to build a branch in Vancouver at this time, we have some excellent contacts, especially Ron D.
-we should try to cultivate a closer relationship with Ron by corresponding on a regular basis and sending minutes of branch meetings
-m/c to adopt line and information of report

6. Executive Report:
-our line is to participate in and build the PLO defence meetings (for)
-Abie W. (Alliance of Non-Zionist Jews) is speaking along with representatives from Cdn. Peace Congress, United Church, Unitarian Church, etc.
-report that CP and CPC-ML refused to participate in building an ongoing united front committee to support the Palestinians because of sectarianism towards each other and other left groups
-report on CARAL--our position is to build and emphasize a rally with entertainment for Morgentaler fund-raising rather than emphasizing the march being planned
-m/c to adopt exec. report

7. Educational Report:
-m/c that Deutsch give tonight's educational on "Immigration"
-m/c that next week's internal be referred to the organizer
-m/c to refer educational program for Camp Poundmaker to organizer and exec.

8. Break for dues and pledges.

9. Educational on Immigration by Deutsch.

10. Calendar and Adjournment at 10:10 p.m.

Minutes of Branch Meeting --- August 7/75:

1. Chairperson: Ashley. Secretary: Red.

2. Attendance: absent without reason---Cameron, Chapin, Jones, Shier, and Wilson

3. Minutes; m/c to adopt minutes from July 31 branch meeting

4. PLO Defence Report:
   -some harrassment of leading Arab spokespersons in Toronto recently -- e.g. arrest, loss of jobs, etc.
   -we are participating in the marshalling of the meeting
   -we should publicly disassociate ourselves from the Western Guard if the fascists are able to participate in the rally
   -we should propose at the marshalling meeting the known fascists and JDLers be excluded from the rally
   -the RMG is proposing that the RMG, LSA, and SL should co-sponsor a leaflet proposing further actions in defense of the PLO's rights
   -m/c to send a comrade to a meeting with the LSA and RMG to discuss this leaflet in the framework that with the information at hand we would likely not be sponsoring such a leaflet
   -m/c to adopt the report

5. Educational Report:
   -m/c that Morgan give tonight's internal educational on the Quebec language question
   -m/c to ratify the proposed forum on August 15, viz. the American takeover of the Canadian economy
   -speaker: Ross Dowson
   -m/c to adopt the report

6. Camp Poundmaker Report:
   -m/c to adopt the proposed educational lineup for the Camp Poundmaker weekend: The Situation in the USSR Today with Ross, The Developing Crisis in the European Communist Parties with Gord, and The History of the Communist Party of Canada with Ross.
   -m/c to have half price rates for children under 10 years of age.
   -m/c to adopt the report

7. Break for dues and pledges.

8. New Business:
   -Morgan reported on the recent RMG eyewitness forum on Portugal and Spain
   -Deutsch gave a further report on the proposed Trotskyist leaflet to be put into the PLO meeting--on the basis of the existing information, we are opposed to signing the leaflet

9. Calendar and Adjournment at 10:15 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: August 14th 75 8:10 pm

(1) Chair: Chaplin. Secretary: Roy

(2) Attendance: absent without known cause — Ashley, Cameron, Hansen, Schriebman, Stuart. Late: Smith.

(3) Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of August 7th.

(4) Poundmaker report: not as successful as expected; attendance 17, net deficit $12.35. No new weekend planned soon because of the election. Adopted.

(5) Educational report: m/c that Anderson give internal on our NDP work on and Red give one on Portugal on 21st. Adopted.

(6) PLO meeting report: Deutsch. A leaflet was proposed, to be signed by RMG, LSA and SL; it put forward the concept of a new committee, which we felt would cut across the existing Canadian Arab Federation, especially ~~among~~ in the eyes of left Palestinians. SL would sign the leaflet, without the proposed ctlee, only if it was going to be signed by both LSA & RMG, to avoid taking sides in a faction fight; RMG & SL were prepared to go ahead, but LSA pulled out for petty reasons. As a result, the RMG had its own leaflet, LSA and SL had nothing. Khaled began his speech with emphasis on UN recognition of Palestinian right, ended by calling Canada a US stooge in the Middle East. NDP'er Bob Sherwood spoke, as did 3 churchmen. CP front man John Morgan implicitly called for a ministate.

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Abie's speech was not picked up by the press. A woman participated with a reading of Palestinian poetry. The next meeting will be in September at the U of T.
- m/c to refer to executive our orientation to joint work with RMG & LSA.

(7) Break for dues and pledges.

(8) Treasurers' report - Jennings

(9) Educational - Anderson on anti-nuclear movement.

(10) New Business
- Report on Old Mole Forum on Portugal — LSA, through Fidler, made an awful presentation carrying the SWP line, and was severely attacked by RMG & Walter Davis. The LSA is Stalinophobic and unable to draw class lines.
- We did a distribution of Forward at 2 teachers' meetings. The LSA has vacillated on this issue between reformism and adventurism. There is no radical current among the teachers. The FWTAO is a company union.
- Louise C. needs more visitors
- The sectarians' operations in the nurses' union are keeping the rank & file from participation in union affairs.

(11) - Calendar & adjournment at 10:00 pm.

Minutes of Branch Meeting -- Aug. 21/75: 8:15 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Stone. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent -- Chapin, Paddy, ~~Red~~, Willis, Wilson, and MacKenzie
late -- Roy, Cameron, Red

3. Minutes: m/c to defer reading of minutes

4. Educational Report:
-by Deutsch
-m/c to adopt educational on CARAL as internal for next week
-m/c to refer speaker for internal to end of branch agenda
-m/c that next forum be on August 29 on Nuclear Proliferation with Stu Sinclair speaking
-m/c that Sept. forum lineup be:
-Sept. 5 -- Crisis in Portugal
-Sept. 12 -- to be decided
-Sept. 19 -- Panel on Election with NDP candidates

5. Campus Report:
-by Roy
-report on NDP election activity at York U.
-m/c that a general campus report on Toronto area student movement be given at next branch meeting

6. CARAL Report:
-report on meeting to plan Morgentaler rally ~~XXX~~ and organizational problems
-report on CARAL memberships, CNE booth operated by CARAL, and progress of committees
-m/c to propose at steering cttee meeting that st. cttee. coopt best elements of action cttee onto steering cttee so that it will be authoritative and will take charge of benefit concert for Morgentaler
-m/c to adopt report

7. Break for dues and pledges.

8. Educational: m/c to have next educational on Portugal at next branch meeting and drop educational for tonight.

9. Campus Report:
-by Red
-report on York campus
-report on setting up of pro-NDP campaign by students council leaders in Ontario -- initiated by York U. students ~~council~~ council
-Dale R. is active in organizing campaign for Fred Young NDP candidate in Yorkview riding
-Dale is setting up a meeting on York campus for Stephen Lewis before voting day
-reports on Common Front of faculty-staff-students at York and actions in defence of food workers being fired
-discussion of setting up a province-wide socialist students caucus among student leaders
-m/c to accept report

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10. New Business:
-m/c that Cameron give internal in 2 weeks on the current stage of the abortion repeal movement
-m/c to hold housewarming social at John Glenn's in Brantford on Sun. Aug. 31
-report by Stone on Ontario Women Teachers Federation conference

11. Calendar and Adjournment at 10:40 p.m.

Minutes of Executive Meeting -- Aug. 24, 1975: 1:45 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Anderson. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason -- Lighthouse, Volpe, Shier

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of July 30/75

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -m/c to recommend recruitment of Chris J. on basis of her application to join SL
   -discussion of Judy B. -- report that she is planning to resign from LSA
   -- we have a possibility of recruiting her but we should not push it at this time -- m/c to adopt this line
   -m/c that Kent go to see Goldman and Mills re Mills' emotional breakdown
   -m/c that we grant Goldman an indefinite leave of absence
   -discussion of personnel -- we should not push Roy to take on educational ctte coordinatorship because we want him to go onto editorial board
   -discussion of problems of exec. and editorial board
   -necessary to bring new comrades into leading bodies with Red playing a leading role in conjunction with his campus work

5. Campus Discussion:
   -report by Red on building an Ontario-wide socialist students' caucus
   -m/c to support cautious probes by our campus comrades towards forming an Ont. Socialist Students group

6. Correspondence:
   -discussion of correspondence from Whitney, Duncan, and Flood

7. Discussion of Our Alignment Policy With Other Trotskyist Tendencies:
   -m/c to defer this discussion to next exec. meeting

8. CARAL:
   -report on CARAL steering cttee meeting by Deutsch
   -necessary for an action cttee meeting to agree to strengthening authority of steering cttee.

9. New Business:
   -discussion of comrades visiting Louise C.
   -note: report on Jones' membership situation was omitted from discussion of Membership and Contacts

10. Adjournment at 4:15 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: September 4 1975 8:05 pm.

1. Chair: Ashley. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: Absent without known cause -- Jennings, Jones, Wilson.
Late:-- Kent, Levi.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of Aug. 21

4. Membership & Contacts: C. McClung was welcomed to the SL.
m/c to grant Ashley a leave of absence
m/c to grant Robur a one - week leave of absence starting Sept. 5

5. Campus Report: Red
Poster shown calling for a vote by students to the NDP. It is having a favorable impact on NDPers. We are being accepted as legitimate NDPers. CYSF is trying to get students enumerated on the campus. Forward and the OFS Newsletter are publishing a call by Dale Ritch and Luke Aujame for a vote to the NDP. The campaign i is getting a lot of publicity. The student handbook, which of course has a strong radical tone and content, unlike previous handbooks, will be coming out soon. CYSF will be launching a boycott of the Central Square cafeteria in October in protest against the firing of the Versafood workers.
OFS will be meeting on Sept. 28; we will have a left caucus. The program will include electoral support of the NDP, but we cannot remain within the framework of the NDP clubs, because the party brass wont allow them to exist as radical formations. Basic women's issues will be included. Research groups integrated within the labor milieu will be counterposed to Nader's proposed classless PIRGs. We will avoid a workerist orientation, however, by beginning with a program of solidarity with workers on the campus.
Adopted.

6. CARAL REport: Deutsch
The CARAL national executive conference has been postponed until November. CARAL has experienced tremendous growth nationwide, with branches in all major cities. It is clearly a viable organization. Toronto, as the biggest and most dynamic branch, may become the Head Office. Adpoted.

7. Educational Report: Deutsch
Evaluation of Stu's forum on nuclear affairs -- the presentation was very good, and was well attended. Very few women seem to attend the forums.
The next forum will be on dissent in the USSR, on the 12th. The post-election forum on the 19th will feature a panel including Lukin Robinson, Bob Sherwood, and Anne-Marie Hill. Robinson doesn't want his name to appear on the flyer. We want the maximum possible attendance for this extremely important forum.
Evaluation of Cameron's internal on CARAL -- good. Tonight's internal will be by Red on Portugal. On the 11th Shier will speak on the transitional program. The internal for the 18th is referred to the committee.

8. New Business
Reggie Modlich has given birth to a boy. A collection for an appropriate gift was taken up. Stu will chair the forum on the 5th. The Labor Day action was larger than most, with good NDP participation. Deplorably, we did not do a distribution.

9. Calendar and adjournment at 10:30.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: September 11 1975 8:30 pm

1. Chair: Morgan. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: Absent without known cause -- Ashley, Jennings, Jones, Smith, Wilson.

3, Minutes: m/c to defer minutes of September 4th.

4. Executive Report: Deutsch
A surprisingly high number of left-wingers are running in this election for NDP. We are able to make some very important contacts with radical NDPers and to become integrated in the NDP milieu. We must mobilize for the NDP socials on the 12th and 13th. Adopted.
We are launch ing a sub drive with a goal of 250 subs between Sept.11 and October 4. It will consist of 2 key mobilizations on the 13th and 15th in which we will try to sell subs to people with NDP signs on their lawns, and of a sub renewal drive after the election. Roy will be coordinator. M/c that the branch meetings be held on Sunday nights from the 21st on and that there be no meeting on the 18th.

5. Educational Committee Report
The flyer for the post- election external on the 19th has been mailed out. It will be held at OISE and is extremely important in terms of our acceptance as a legitimate current in the NDP, and we must make every effort to build it. We must beware of being provoked by sectarians who may be present. M/c that Gord chair the forum. The external for the 12th will be on dissent in the USSR by Harry Kopyto with Ross chairing. M/c to refer back to the cttee the concept of a series of externals on a topic like the history of the CCF-NDP. M/c to table the topics and speakers for the externals on the 19th and 26th.
M/c to have the following internals: Deutsch on the 18th on building a vanguard party in Canada; Kent on the 28th on the nature of the Allende government; the question of the correct slogan concerning fair pay for women on the 12th of October (speaker open) and the NDP and the radicalization on October 5th (speaker open). M/c to refer to the executive the concept of having regular reports on the developments in Portugal.

6. CARAL report
A large and successful CARAL meeting was held. Morgentaler is coming under increasing pressure by the authorities. A delegation will be sent to Ottawa from CARAL and we should propose a rally to send it off. Our comrades are becoming solidly entrenched in CARAL while the LSA is responding to its isolation by becoming more accomodating to the organization.

7. Break for dues and pledges.

8. Educational by Shier on the transitional program.

9. New Business
Some of Vic H.'s sympathizers have been elected delegates to the Rubberworkers' Convention. Reggie can receive visitors at home and thanks us for the gift. Charlie is moving to Toronto on the 14th. Hans and Marilyn are back in town.

10. Calendar and adjournment at 10:40 pm.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: September 21 1975 8:10 pm

1. Chair: Lighthouse. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: absent without known cause -- Anderson, Jones, Schriebman, Stuart, McKenzie. Late: Chaplan, Willis. M/c that McKenzie be interviewed by the organizer regarding his attendance.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of September 11th. Reggie thanks us for the gift.

4. Membership & contacts: Deutsch.
Report on Robert K. M/c that campus fraction evaluate and report back to the branch. Charlie was not invited to the branch meeting because he is not formally a member. M/c that the organizer apologize for the oversight. Judy has moved into Toronto and helped with the last issue of the paper. We must make positive overtures toward them.
Adopted.

5. Sub drive Report: Roy.
Over 50 subs have been sold. The renewal rate is extremely high, indicating that our ideas are well received, and door-to-door work is richly rewarding. One comrade was able to sell 22 subs in 3 hours. The campus will be an excellent area. M/c to refer to executive the question of extending the drive. Adopted.

6. Educational Report: Deutsch.
The new forum lineup, already printed on the flyer, is as follows: The Crisis of the Capitalist Parties and Their System by Stu on the 26th; The NDP -- the question of image and the problem of program by Wayne on October 3rd; The NDP Leadership and the need for and tasks of a Left Wing by Gord on October 10th. Adopted.
Evaluation of Harry's forum on dissent in USSR. Evaluation of post-election Roundup; Robinson was absent; under pressure, Hill was absent; despite pressure, Moscoe made it. There was little apparent enthusiasm for the NDP victory. We got provoked by LSA and did not sufficiently address our interventions to NDPers in the audience.
Evaluation of Shier's internal on Transitional Program. Internal lineup -- Deutsch on building a vanguard party in Canada on the 21st; others as previously planned.
M/c that at the next branch we have an extended report on our role in the NDP. M/c to refer to edl. cttee internals on the USSR and the Lambertistes.

7. CARAL Report: m/c to defer.

8. Campus Report: Lighthouse.
U18 Conference on 19th. -- ULS is now ULC. Of 30 participants, there were 5 LSAers & 2 RMGers. The ULC has not yet mobilized its members and contacts. The conference was fraternal and no disagreements were voiced. The basic ULS program was affirmed. Report on summer activities. There is great sentiment for a food boycott. One will be proposed by us of the Central Square cafeteria. We shall demand that the administration take over the food business via a democratically elected board of students, faculty,& staff. Excalibur's first issue contained a vicious attack on us by the editor & managing editor, but they are isolated and the staff of the paper is solidly pro- ULS. The YS & RMG have been obliged To enter the ULC on our terms. M/c that campus fraction report at the next branch. Adopted.

9. Break for dues & pledges.

10, Educational by Deutsch on building a vanguard party in Canada.

11. Calendar & adjournment at 11:00 pm.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: September 28th 1975 8:10 pm.

1. Chair: Jennings. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: absent without known cause -- Ashley, Robur, Stone, Stuart. Late --Lighthouse.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of September 21 1975.

4. Membership & contacts: Charlie welcomed to the SL. M/c that Carol B. be accepted as a sympathizer rather than a member.

5. Educational by Anderson on the NDP. Our NDP orientation has been vindicated. There is a confluence of radical currents into the NDP; in the election, radicals ran and Wafflers worked. There was a clear class vote. The brass has learned that to win, they must build riding associations; the only way to do so is to allow left-wingers in. We are still on the outer fringes of the NDP and must get in deeper. The NDP fraction must meet more often; the branch itself must from now on be turned into an NDP fraction.
Extensive discussion by comrades on their individual experiences in the election. There is a general consensus that the NDP is a promising area of work and requires a sensitive touch.

6. Sub drive report by Roy -- only a handful of subs have been sold. The planned mobilizations failed because of a singular lack of response by comrades. There will be two more mobilizations next Saturday and Sunday afternoon at 1:00 pm. Comrades will meet at the HQ.

7. New Business: Report by Levi on OFS conference: the Stalinists are gradually losing their influence and positions in the OFS to us. Dale will run for chairman of OFS.
Report by Chaplan on his CUPE local, which is engaged in regional bargaining. The trade union fraction wants this issue clarified.

8. Calendar & adjournment at 10:45 pm.

Minutes of Executive Meeting -- Oct. 1, 1975: 8:20 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Anderson. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason -- Red.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt executive minutes of Sept. 24/75

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -report on Judy B. -- not prepared to join at this time but wants to work with movement -- we should regard her as a sympathizer
   -report by Kent that Mills seems to be improving emotionally
   -report by ~~Wolfe~~ (Lighthouse) on Homilly -- m/c to refer this contact to campus fraction at York U. regarding the setting up of discussions with him
   -agreement to establish with [redacted] (Red) his regular attendance at exec. meetings recognizing that he can't attend branch meetings for a while

5. Campus Report:
   -by Lighthouse
   -report on campus food services issue and CARAL and racism issue
   -referral back to campus fraction the question of campus sub drive quota and participation

6. Branch Conference:
   -m/c to set date for Sun. Nov. 9
   -agenda:
      -report on Forward
      -political report -- includes discussion of NDP, FI, other currents, recruitment
      -campus report
      -Possibly a women's report
      -financial report
      -possibly an organization report to deal with bookstore, fractions, etc.
   -m/c to project a discussion on women's work at a future exec. mtg.

7. CARAL:
   -Oct. 19 rally for Morgentaler is going ahead
   -publicity, speakers, and entertainment are lined up
   -m/c to make Morgentaler rally a top priority of the SL

8. New Business:
   -report by H. Schriebman on Law Union--our line is to maintain contact with the better elements and to continue to challenge it but not to take responsibilities in this sectarian operation
   -report by Schriebman on rally to support Ont. Human Rights Submission on gay rights -- discussion on heavy gay character of speakers; necessary to broaden out with respected civil libertarians
   -m/c to send a representative to IS-initiated meeting for solidarity with ~~United Revolutionary Front in Portugal~~ Portuguese Revolution

7. Adjournment at 11:05 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: October 5 1975 8:05 pm.

1. Chair: Frost. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: Absent without known cause -- Anderson, Lighthouse, Smith, Stuart, Willis, McKenzie. Late -- Morgan, Thorson, Wilson.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of September 28 1975.

4. Membership & contacts: Judy agrees with us politically but wants to settle down before joining. M/c that we attempt to recruit. Mills seems to be improving. Adopted.

5. CARAL Report: Cameron.
There will be a benefit rally for Morgentaler, which we want to have a protest character. We want a prominent lobby to influence Ron Basford, who has advocated repeal. A national conference is desired. Comrades are wanted to distribute literature publicizing the rally. Adopted.

6. Women's Report: Volpe.
Report on upcoming women's trade union conference. We have only two comrades in this area. We should propose a delegated type of structure in which everyone has voice but only legitimate representatives of the women's unions have vote. It is vital that we win this argument so that the formation does not become an isolated and irrelevant group of sectarians. All women comrades who are able to must attend the conference on October 6th. Adopted.
There will be an NDP Women's Committee meeting on November 7th. at 41 Glengallan; a December 4, 5, &6 weekend at Cedar Glen Camp ($40); and a December 6th. founding conference of CLEW in Detroit. M/c to refer to Women's fraction.

7. Educational Report: Deutsch.
Evaluation of Deutsch's internal on vanguard party -- ideas were too rapidly presented and overcrowded. Evaluation of internal on NDP by Anderson -- we must have further discussion on tactics. M/c to refer to educational cttee. M/c that proposed internal by Kent for tonight be dropped in favor of a hatbox. The next internal will be by McClung on fair pay for women, and subsequent ones are referred to educational cttee. Evaluation of Stu's forum -- stimulating & thought - provoking, with good interventions by comrades. Evaluation of Wayne's forum -- well presented but poorly attended. We must make lists of those who attend and do phonings. M/c that Bill chair Gord's forum. Adopted.

8. Break for dues & pledges.

9. Educational hatbox. M/c to refer topics not addressed to educational cttee.

10. Sub Drive Report: Roy.
85 subs sold so far, behind our goal. The campus comrades have pledged 100 subs. M/c to extend the drive to October 12th. Renewals must be noted, as well as other pertinent information, on the sub blanks.

11. New Business: Report by Kent on Portugal Solidarity Ctteemeeting. M/c to refer to the executive the appointment of a permanent representative of the SL to this cttee. We prepared the resolution for the Rubberworkers' struggle for autonomy. Report by Frost on OFS.

12. Calendar & adjournment at 10:30 pm.

Minutes of Branch Meeting -- October 12, 1975:

1. Chairperson: Lighthouse. Secretary (temporary): Levi.

2. Attendance: late with reason -- Shier and Volpe
   -m/c to seat Bob Wh.

3. Educational Report:
   -by Deutsch
   -evaluation of last week's hatbox internal and m/c to refer the idea of incorporating regular hatboxes to educ. cttee.
   -m/c to line up internals as follows:
      -McClung on Equal Pay for Equal Work
      -Kent on Chile
      -Portugal
      -Social Democracy
      -Wages for Housework
   -forums: evaluation of joint SL/IS forum
   -forum lineup:
      -Gord on NDP Left Caucus
      -John D. on Bill 22 in Quebec
      -Stu on the BC NDP Labor Policy
      -Socialism and Feminism
   -m/c to adopt report

4. CARAL Report:
   -by Lighthouse
   -reports on Morgentaler benefit concert and elections to CARAL steering cttee.
   -m/c to adopt report

5. Law Union Report:
   -by Schriebman
   -L.U. registered sectarian opposition to real involvement in defence of Morgentaler
   -our evaluation is that L.U. is in a stage of decline and that we should assume no organizational responsibilities although we should maintain contact with the better elements
   -m/c to adopt report

6. Report on Defence Case for John Damien (Gay rights):
   -by Schriebman
   -informational report
   -m/c to adopt report

7. Break for dues and pledges.

8. Educational: McClung on Equal Pay for Work of Equal Value

9. New Business:
   -report on united front demo. on Portugal: SL, Comite Luta, RMG, IS -- no LSA
   -report on Ad Hoc cttee on Spain: aim to publish ad in Globe an Mail in solidarity with pol. prisoners, but CP took initiative independently and published an ad thus putting ad hoc cttee's role in doubt -- should be discussed by exec.

10. Calendar; m/c to change date of next branch mtg. to Monday
11. adjournment

Minutes of Executive Meeting -- Oct. 19, 1975: 11:30 a.m.

1. Chairperson: Anderson. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason -- Shier.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of Oct. 1775 as amended

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -m/c to recommend to recruit Judy B.
   -report by Volpe on Stuart--Stuart wants to be sympathizer but not under our discipline
   --m/c to accept Stuart as sympathizer
   --m/c to have Volpe make it clear to Stuart that her participation in the fractions is contingent upon her operating in agreement with our line
   -discussion of Hom. -- report by Red
   -- he tends toward Maoism
   -- m/c to have a series of in-depth discussions with him
   -report on Mills by Ross--Mills wants to come back to branch meetings with the understanding that he can not play an active role
   --m/c to lift Mills' leave of absence recognizing that we won't push him into activism
   -we should now have a discussion with Goldman about her role

5. Campus Report:
   -report on situation at York U.
   -m/c to structure Roy more fully into campus, to assign Levi as organizer of campus fraction, to give McKenzie direction into Excalibur and out of editing the Crow, that campus fractions be held on regular basis in late afternoon or early evening

6. CARAL Report:
   -by Lighthouse on MOrgentaler benefit concert

7. Spanish Solidarity:
   -our line is to go for a broad committee which encompasses CP and its labor periphery and to wait it out to move into the CP Spanish committee
   -we will attend meeting of ad hoc committee

8. -m/c to adjourn and refer rest of agenda to next exec., viz:
   -Organization discussion and conference
   -sub drive
   -wage/price controls
   -Portuguese demo

9. Adjournment at 1:00 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: October 20th 1975 8:00 pm.

1. Chair: Frost. Secretary: Red.

2. Attendahce: Absent without known cause -- Ashley, Schriebman, Willis, Wilson, McClung. M-c to recruit Judy.

3. Minutes: m/c to table minutes of October 12.

4. Membership & Contacts:

M/c to lift Mills' leave of absence. M/c that Stuart be dropped from formal membership & regarded as a sympathizer, with the understanding that for the time being she will not be invited to fraction meetings. M/c to refer to exec the question of revitalizing the cttee.

5. Educational Report:
M/c to change the internal lineup & have one on wages for housework ~~Maxx2x~~ October 26. M/c to adopt Kent & Judy as panelists. M/c that tonight's internal be on wage controls by Kent.

6. Educational by Kent on wage controls.

7. Campus Report: Red.
Report on food boycott & subsequent events. The fraction is getting better orgahized.

8. CARAL Benefit Report:
Attendance of 600, collected over $2600. A step forward for CARAL. M/c to refer to women's fraction for further discussion.

9. Portuguese Demo Report:
There were not enough of our comrades present. The demo was useful in t[illegible] that it sterengthened our relations with IS and expressed our solidarity with the Portuguese revolution.

10. New Business: Report by Kent on joint IS -SL forum. McKenzie reported on NUS convention in Fredericton. Report on upcoming Damien ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ October 23.

11. Adjournment at 10:45 pm.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: October 26 1975 8:10 pm.

1. Chair: Cameron. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: Absent without known cause -- Chapin, Schriemman, Willis, Wilson,McKenzie, McClung. Late -- Kent, Levi.

3. Minutes:M/c to adopt minutes of October 12 & 20th.

4. Membership & Contacts: report by Jennings on outstanding dues & pledges jeopardising membership of many comrades.

5. Educational report: Deutsch

Evaluation of forum on 24th. Forum lineup proposed: John on Bill 22 October 31; Russian Revolution on November 7th. with speaker referred to cttee. ; m/c to refer back to the cttee the topic of Feminism & Socialism. M/c that Frost speak on Portugal for Nov 2 internal, and that there be an internal on Social Democracy.

6. Campus Report: Levi

Levi is organizer of fraction. Goal of 100 subs on campus -- 15 per comrade. Lit. tables will be set up Mondays & Wednesdays. There will be regular ULC meetings. We are the accepted leadership of the ULC.

7. Wages for Housework Report: McClung

Attendance was 150. There was a panel discussion. Trotskyists are considered persona non grata.

8. Break for dues & pledges.

9. Educational panel : Kent & Judy on Wages for Housework.

10. New Business: M/c to hold house social November 8th. Report on CUPE convention. 750 Forwards distributed.

11. Calendar & adjournment at 11:00 pm.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: November 2 1975 8:10 pm.

1. Chair: Jennings. Secretary: Frost.

2. Attendance: Absent without known cause -- ~~Morgan.~~

3. Minutes: m/c to table minutes of October 26th.

4. Membership & Contacts: Deutsch
M/c to grant Mills 2 week leave of absence. Discussion of Robert. M/c to adopt.

5. Executive Report: Deutsch
Branch Conference all day Sunday November 23. M/c to refer to exec the question of documenting our main areas of work. M/c to hold Russian Revolution social on November 15th.

6. Educational Report: Deutsch
Evaluation of October 26 internal. M/c to refer to Ed Board pulling out proposed article as position is not clear. Evaluation of John's external on Bill 22. We must phone our contacts for forums. ~~Evaluation of Charlie~~. Proposed forum Nov 7th on Russian Revolutio by Charlie. M-c to refer back the question of a book review forum.

7. Financial Report: Jennings. Adopted.

8. Educational by Anderson on Bill 146.

9. ~~Racism Conference Deutsch~~. New Business
Racism Conference: Deutsch. M/c that we not lend our name to the organizing cttee until we determine the nature of the conference. Report by Hansen on Cole . Fred was instructed to attend the OFL convention. Cole has opposed the wage controls. CARAL report by Cameron. General Membership meeting Nov. 4th. We want a large mass action (petition, etc) to include new members. CARAL conference in Feb. 76. We must close door so that the radical lesbians upstairs cannot hear our conversation.

10. Adjournment at 10:50 pm.

Minutes of Executive Meeting -- Nov. 9, 1975: 11:00 a.m.

1. Chairperson: Lighthouse. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason -- Shier, Red.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes (reconstructed) of Oct. 20/75

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -report on recommendation of Campus Fraction to recruit R.K. -- m/c to invite R.K. to tonight's branch meeting
   -discussion of Goldman's membership -- our approach should be to assist her in protecting herself financially and give her support through woman comrades

5. Organizational Repprt:

   -m/c that exec. proposal for core of new exec. be Lighthouse, Deutsch, Anderson, Frost, and Red.
   -m/c that we also recommend that Hansen, Cameron, and McClung be approached to come onto exec.
   -m/c that branch conference not take up political documents but rather have the character of an organizational conference
   -m/c that branch conference reports be:
      -introductory organizer's report (Deutsch will present a draft at next mtg.)
      -Campus Report
      -Women's Report -- centering in on CARAL
      -possibly an NDP Report
   -question of composition of editorial board and other committees should be referred to the next exec. mtg.

6. CARAL:
   -Deutsch will approach Frost and Judy concerning their intervention in CARAL without the direction of the movement

7. Sub Drive:

   -Deutsch will find out if sub drive on campus has collapsed amd give a report to the next exec.

8. New Business:

   -report by Lighthouse on York Campus food boycott campaign - m/c to endorse demand centered against Commercial Caterers ~~and our failure to carry the campaign~~
   -discussion on racism conference
      -our position is that we will lend our name to sponsor's list if prominent NDPers or labor movement people are identified as sponsors; otherwise, we won't co-sponsor
      -we will not commit ourselves to lining up further NDP sponsors

9. Adjournment at 2:00 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: November 9 1975 8:10 pm

1. Chair: Hansen. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: Absent without known cause -- Ashley, Chapin, Paddy, Schriehman, Shier, Thorson, Willis, Wilson. Late -- McKenzie.

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of November 2 and October 26.

4. Membership & Contacts: Red. M. Hernandez welcomed to the SL.

5. Executive Report: Deutsch.
The November 23 branch conference will not include a documentation of our views. The focus will be on the student movement, the women's movement & CARAL, and the NDP. Adopted.

6. Educational Report: Deutsch.
Evaluation of October 31 forum. Our attendance at forums is poor. Proposed forum lineup: Wage controls on November 14 by Harry Paine;. Evaluation of Anderson's internal on Bill 146. Internal lineup: Hatbox for tonight, Frost on Portugal & USSR November 16, Shier on social democracy November 23.

7. Social Report: Smith.
There will be a house social at Scott's on November 15 at which Frost or Kent will speak on the Portuguese & Russian Revolutions. M/c that organizer arrange to contact those contacts whom the comrades are unable to reach; comrades will inform organizer if unable to reach their assigned contacts.

8. Break for dues & pledges. Exit Anderson & Morgan.

9. Hatbox Educational on the wage freeze, Freud & the Mideast.

10. New Business: NDP brass has kayoed move to affiliate York NDP club. We are limiting our food strategy on campus and calling for the ouster of only Commercial Caterers. Homily & Hemraj have the ULC nomination for Board of Governors.

11. Calendar & adjournment at 10:20

Minutes of Toronto Branch: November 16 1975 8:15 pm

1. Chair: Scott. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: absent without known cause -- Ashley, Chapin, Goldman, Jennings, Mills, Schriebman, Smith, Willis, Wilson. Late -- Hernandez (8:20), Levi

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of November 9 1975.

4. Executive Report: Anderson.
The conference will be held on Sunday Nov. 23 at 1:00 pm and will focus on 7 basic items: Organizer's Report, Campus Report, Women's Report, NDP Report, Forward Report, Financial Report, Election of of new executive & Editorial Board.
The executive has proposed the following slate, although other nominations are open: for the executive, Kent, Shier, Anderson, Deutsch, Lighthouse, Morgan, Kent Frost, Deutsch, Anderson, Red, Hansen, Cameron, McClung, Lighthouse. Candidates now running for organizer, for whom there has been no recommendation from the exec, are Anderson & Deutsch. For the ed. board, Kent, Shier, Anderson, Deutsch, Lighthouse, Morgan, Roy, Volpe, Schriebman. Proposed editor: Shier. Adopted.

5. Educational Report: Anderson.
Evaluation of November 11 forum. M/c to decide next week's forum at the end of the agenda.

6. Campus Report: Levi
There will be a food boycott referendum at which CYSF will make funds available to any opposition that may arise. The sub drive has so far been unsuccessful but we are planning a mobilization on Nov. 18. Report by Red on Third World Students' Union. The ultraleft are adapting to our positions to extend their influence.
Adopted.

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7. Break for dues & pledges.

8. Social Report: Cameron. The event was enjoyable. We made $70. (record).

9. Educational hatbox on zionism, Portuguese soldiers, trade union brass.

10. OFL Convention Report: Thorson.
Attendance was about 1200. Des Morton, Steven Lewis & Broadbent spoke. Except for the CP, which spoke against the wage freeze, the left was disorganized. Adopted.

11. New Business: Adoption of forum topic -- Abie on the UN.
There will be a demo in Ottawa on Nov. 19 against the wage freeze, organized by the Toronto Labor Council, which our comrades should attend if possible.

12. Calendar & adjourmment at 10:25.

Minutes of Toronto Branch Conference: November 23 1975 1:00 pm

1. Chair: Frost. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: Absent without known cause -- McKenzie. M/c to seat Joe, Claire, Irv, Carol, Zane, Reggie. Late -- Claire (1:30), Carol (1:30), Morgan (1:30), Levi (1:35), Reggie (1:45), Hernandez (1:45), Irv (2:20).

3. Organizer's Report: Deutsch.
The executive will present a slate for the new exec. & editorial board. Review of the history of the SL. There has been steady progress and consolidation of the movement. There is increasing distance between us and the other Trotskyist groups, and a very remote likelihood of regroupments with them. We have political clarity but organizational problems. SL is Toronto-centred. Adopted.

4. NDP Report: Anderson.
The NDP is the key to our politics as the effort of the working class to influence the affairs of the state. Yet there is no coherent, organized left wing, which the leadership is trying to co-opt to some extent. In words and in action the NDP governments have challenged bourgeois interests. The TU bureaucracy is moving to the left in response to the economic crisis. An organized left wing will surely develop, more important than Waffle, with roots in the unions. We must develop our ability to intervene in this milieu in every possible way so as to be able to assume leadership when the time comes. Contacts must be established now, in this period of relative lull; our NDP work has, however, fallen behind. We are making serious efforts to analyze political developments, even if it means incurring the hostility of radicals and even of left-wing NDPers. Adopted.
Exit Robur (3:15)

5. Press Report: Shier.
We have not made a qualitative advance since last year; our sub base has stagnated, although we are politically very well-received. Our first fund drive was very successful, our second not at all. The paper 's appearance is seldom at regular intervals. Fewer articles are by new writers. Our task is to make the paper a higher priority in our work. We have a good reception among newly radicalizing but not yet revolutionary elements. Adopted.

6. Campus Report: Levi.
Student unions are forming in response to cutbacks. The radicalization is deepening & broadening , but a lack of leadership and success in struggle are holding it back. There is a lack of political perspective, to which an NDP orientation is an answer. It is necessary to establish ULC's on other campuses. These require links with labor through common fronts, etc to end their isolation. They must be disciplined and well-organized. At York, our fraction has political hegemony, but has not yet fully established itself. We tend to substitute for ULC. Our policy is now to hold open fraction meetings. We have 12 campus comrades involved in many areas, but not as part of the SL (subs, lit. tables, etc). We expect the fraction to grow. Inroads will be made into Excalibur. Adopted.
Exit Morgan & Levi (5:30).

7. Women's Report: Volpe.
IWY had a dual impact, reflecting both the growing radicalization of women & the attempt at co-opting it. No coherent leadership

has yet emerged. Our response to IWY was different from those of all other Trotskyists. We alone tried to reach out to newly radicalizing women who are not already revolutionaries. The May 10 march was not broad enough to lead to new actions, or to a long-term perspective of leadership. We shall participate in & direct such a movement when it emerges.
The growth of CARAL is significant. CARAL is free of red-baiting despite our hegemony, because of the prestige & prominence of its leadership. We are tactically flexible. We were the prime movers behind the vigil. However, despite the strong sentiment in favor of it, it was not broad enough to draw in other organizations.
The govt.'s ruthlessness in dealing with Morgentaler has been amazing. The pressures on it have not been great enough. Although pro-choice sentiment is widespread, the public is inhibited about expressing its support. The attitude of the NDP leadership is scandalous. Feminists have not responded . Trade union women are a key focus for the future of the women's movement. The CLC & OFL are talking about organizing a TU women's conference. We need more comrades in this area. Day care is still not seen as a right by the majority of women; they are generally hostile to institutional care. The cutbacks for daycare funding provide a focus for struggle. Newly radicalizing women are not very ideological, and hence not very recruitable.
Our priorities are: Building a structured leadership; CARAL work; developments among TU women; developing & clarifying key theoretical questions. Adopted.
Enter Stuart (5:45).

8. Elections.
Executive -- Anderson, Deutsch, Frost, Lighthouse, Red, Cameron, McClung, Hansen.
Editorial Board -- Shier, Anderson, Lighthouse, Kent, Deutsch, Volpe, Schriebman, Roy, Scott, Smith.
Editor (acclaimed) -- Wayne.
Organizer (contested) -- Anderson.

9. Bookstore Report: Kent.
The bookstore is not yet flourishing. There is no full-time staff; efforts have been mainly voluntary. It is self-financing. Gross sales so far (5/&1/2 months) amount to $2600, with $1000 left over to pay wages & reht. We have a good, workable stock and are operational. Half our sales have been Pioneer and Monthly Review Press. Overall, it is successful. M/c to table to next branch meeting.

10. Adjournment at 6:35.

Report on the Conference of the Socialist League, Sunday, Nov. 23, 1975.

The annual Conference was held under some pressure of immediate events. Ross, Stewart Sinclair and another comrade attended a demonstration against Spinola in the morning, and SL members were asked to attend a meeting called by the Canadian Arab Federation to hear a PLO speaker in the evening.

It was called to order at 1 PM, in the headquarters at 53 Gerrard Street West. Chairman, Charlie Lee, Secretary Zahir Antia. In addition to members five other persons requested permission to attend and were accepted. (Joe Nestlin, Claire Dowson, Clive Silver, Reggie Modlich, Lane Boyd).

ORGANIZER'S REPORT - (Gordon Doctorow). We require an over-view of our more recent work. Growth of the organization has been slow but steady. It began with no full time staff, until Dale Ritch became part-time organizer for a period. Its budget, starting at $360 a month, ~~I soon~~ climbed to over $800. The movement has consolidated. Dale's work at York University has been conspicuously successful. Now Sinclair and Doctorow are on staff. Our member, John Darling, operates a print shop in conjunction with the headquarters. There are now 33 members, and the budget has reached $900 a month. Only 9 comrades are women. The average age of comrades has lowered somewhat. In a year and a half, we have held on and begun the ~~[illegible]~~ process of regrowth. We are prominent in CARAL work.

The L.S.A. was not able to recruit from the Waffle group, and thus it was unable to head off the formation of the RMG and, more recently, of the International Socialists, both constituting new Trotskyist groupings. We are more isolated than ever from other Trotskyist currents, primarily due to our orientation of working within the frame of the N.D.P. The RMG is probably the strongest Trotskyist group in numbers, although it has suffered two splits,

with some members joining the International Socialists and others fusing with the Spartacists to form the Trotskyist League. These two groups are still aggressive and expanding, but not very rapidly.

Our isolation is increased by loss of identification with the Socialist Workers Party, primarily over its policy towards Portugal. Hitherto the SWP was regarded as the core of world Trotskyism, but in this case the policy of the Mandel group appears closer to correct.

The recent upsurge of the NDP has strengthened radical and left-wing activity, but due to the weakness of the organized left, this is not too effective as yet. The other currents, except the insignificant Lambertists, do not have a program of work within the NDP, and in practice are simply not there.

We have made contacts through the paper, "Forward." Yet, pressure, it is not going especially well. The SL has made some real gains, but it is not yet in a leadership position. The movement must centre at Toronto for this stage, it is not yet possible to be pan-Canadian. We have sympathizers at both Vancouver and Winnipeg, but to establish branches would require the transfer of an experienced comrade to each city, and we cannot do it at this time.

SPEAKERS. (Ross Dowson). The meeting for Tariq Ali is promoted by the RMG primarily. We agreed to be among the sponsors, but the situation was misrepresented to us. In the leaflet the SL is not listed among the sponsoring organizations. It will be a narrow conference and will not lead toward mass activity, but to sectarian quarreling.

(Stu Sinclair) We are doing high level work but we are not getting proportionate results in recruiting. Tasks of the SL were assigned to internal committees, but these did not function well and the executive had to direct them or take over their work. The concerns of students on

the campuses is internalized at present, centred on job training and prospects, and purely local matters. Radicalism is diffused about but only locally becomes focussed. This will change eventually, but at present our campus prospects are not all that great.

(Harry Paine) - The paper is our best organizer. It may be helpful to turn outward into other geographical areas. We need contacts outside of Toronto to orient ourselves even within Toronto. Our ideas are correct and the basis for our activity is widespread.

(Harry Kopyto) - There is new emphasis on the NDP and new elements are coming into it. There are no shortcuts to success, and for the immediate future there is no prospect of a fusion between the SL and any of the other groups.

(Jim Mitchell) We cannot build a new branch without an experienced core of comrades, which we cannot spare at this time. The LSA branch at Winnipeg was hastily assembled and later fell apart.

(Charlie Lee) - Fusions are not ruled out. The IS for example is not sectarian minded. We can pick and choose, but we should seek areas of cooperation with other groups. Many of our contacts are unfamiliar with speaking, distributions, etc.

(Dale Ritch) - the CP is getting some recruits, but other groups are having problems. We are the most active group at York University, but it was a long time before a single recruit came out of the activity. The YS and the RMG have no recruits there and no sphere of influence, and the IS has pulled out. The RMG did a lot of work at York without result. We are the only tendency with any recruiting at all there in this period.

(Zahir Antia) - The LSA is waning and is discrediting itself, for example in hinting that Robert Simms was the NDP candidate in its Brampton

leaflet. Their NDP orientation has been a disaster, especially in the West.

(Stu Sinclair) The IS is still new and gung-ho. When the Maoists began to emerge in BC in 1963, we contacted them. They were mostly too Stalinized, but we drew three members from their periphery. The IS is not a potential work area as yet. Their NDP orientation is unreal.

(Ross Dawson) Beware of a tendency to routinism and formalism. We are missing the ball in St. Catharines. We must build a unified leadership at Toronto, with the press, and be able to move out if a situation seems promising.

SUMMARY BY GORD DOCTOROW - We have tried to work with the I.S. There may be some possibilities, but they are very anti-NDP. Regroupment does not seem to be in the cards for us. Our immediate task is the further building of our Toronto cadre.

REPORT ADOPTED.

NOMINATIONS - The executive had reached a decision that it had to put forward proposals on the leadership. Ross is not included on the executive slate. Wayne Roberts and Ellie Kuzner are also dropping off. The leadership is being reconstituted to include new personnel. Last year's attempts at restructuring the organization failed, there was a breakdown of committees and fractions. There were too few persons in too many areas, which was centrifugal.

Recommended for the Executive Committee - Stu Sinclair, Gord Doctorow, Charlie Lee, Alice Klein, Dale Ritch, Harry Paine, Chris Judge, Calvin Hanson.

The editorial board is also very important, the second political body of the movement. There was a motion that the editor be elected. This was carried.

(Alice Klein) It is necessary to have a slate, although there is a tendency to elect experienced comrades anyway.

(Ellie Kuzner) - The last executive had problems with its

coordinators of activities. The coordinators must be present when the executive dislusses the activities, or errors are made. Women in the SL are few, and are accused of belonging to a male-dominated movement. It is an issue of recruitment of more women and of development of the potential of those women who are members now.

(Abie Weisfeld) - the coordinators of activities should be chosen at the branch conference.

(Gord Doctorow) at present the SL is almost confined to Toronto and does not need a branch structure.

(Judy Brooke) - how do we know the experience of the proposed editorial board members before voting for them?

(Harry Paine) is the editor to set policy, or is he primarily for the logistics of turning out the paper? CARAL is a key activity at this time. The different factions must somehow be made to function.

(Ellie Kuzner) - The political aspect of the editorship is the most important aspect. It is a political post.

(Ross Dowson) the editorial team has a few key persons, an inner board which on some occasions had to make decisions.

[other speakers, Stu Sinclair, Judy Brooke, Zahir Antia, Wayne Roberts].

N.D.P. REPORT - (STU SINCLAIR) - The NDP is the bedrock of our politics. The proletariat must advance its own class interests. We are seeing the beginnings of independent working class action. The NDP is part of the labour movement and is accepted by most of the more politically advanced workers. The NDP has a working class base.

Yet there is little sign of an organized left wing. Why is this? The leaders adapt to left sentiment. Broadbent's recent speech at Ottawa sounded fairly radical, and even RMG members were observed to applaud three times. It was notable how the other candidates adapted to the Rosemary Brown campaign. Also the trade union bureaucracy is

changing, and is frequently ahead of its members. The CUPE convention twice turned back a toothless resolution and compelled its own executive to fight against the government wage guidelines. The NDP provincial governments have made scattered nationalizing moves, causing some consternation among the bourgeoisie. The trade union bureaucrats are often ahead of their members in words and sometimes even in actions. The NDP and trade union leaders have consciously and skilfully defused the left wing, as a result of the Waffle incursion. Autonomy and nationalism are given lip service by both the NDP and organized labour.

This development creates openings for our movement. There is no hard atmosphere at present. We must use this lull to develop our own personal and organizational skills and influence, to push our paper and develop our organizational work.

The SL has produced several items of literature. We have been in controversy with other groups over our interpretation of Barrett's back-to-work bill in B.C., which under the circumstances is not regarded as reactionary.

DISCUSSION - (Saul Doctorow) - We see our fraction work in the NDP as a long term problem. We are quite an open organization. We can work in the NDP, in CARAL, among trade union women and so forth without much secrecy. We seek to tie the issues to the NDP, to focus the problems into the NDP itself.

(Harry Kopyto) - the situation is opening up and the NDP is central to it.

(Art Gray) - In the Simcoe area there has been a great decline of Conservative strength, in the rural areas especially, with the strong possibility of the NDP carrying the riding next time. Desertion of the old parties is due here to increasing economic pressures. The NDP has gathered many new members, but young people are poorly represented as yet.

(Ellie Kurgnes) - The British Columbia NDP Women's Committee is not recognized as a formal body of the party. Women members of the NDP have themselves not fully accepted it, they are not impressed in many cases because the Woman's Committee is an unstructured sort of thing and ineffective.

(Regula Modlich) - The search for leadership and policy among the radicals is still slow and groping. The NDP has few riding meetings, but NDP people show up at other events.

SUMMARY - (Stu Soulain) - Protests are rising against the inefficiency of the Metro NDP organization.

REPORT CARRIED

PRESS REPORT - (Wayne Roberts). We have had problems with our press and have not made a significant advance during the year. There are 486 subs, of which 254 are in Toronto, with no real change in the past year. Some positive reactions have been encountered, for example the Georgian Bay Democrat is friendly. We have a fairly high renewal rate of subscriptions. There are 62 subscriptions in B.C. Our press fund drive last May fell short. We have not been able to keep up regular monthly issues.

We are very much on our own, and have even split with the Leninist-Trotskyist Fraction, especially over Portugal, where we were ahead of everyone in our assessment, arriving at our views before the Majority Tendency clarified their own.

We are told that "Forward" "does not have jargon, it is readable." We have had to work out our own line on immigration, price controls, and Barrett's back-to-work bill, for example. The paper has operated without any financial reserve. There is no real distinction between internal and external activists in the movement.

SPEAKERS - (Charlie Lee) we have no international paper that we

can really lean on. And the movement has had serious economic problems.

(Judy Brooke) - We must help comrades to develop their own adjustment so that they are able to sell subscriptions.

(Stu Sinclair) - The LSA's paper, Labour Challenge, was oriented to allegedly "mass" events, and it wouldn't sell in the plants such as Douglas Aircraft, the workers rejected it. Only "Forward" would sell without complaints.

REPORT CARRIED.

CAMPUS REPORT - (Abie Weisfeld). - the students seem concerned primarily with economic matters, a "syndicalist turn" to economic concerns, and student unions are being proposed. There is opposition to the government financing of foreign investment. There is a continuing radicalization without leaders and without a focus on struggle. No major recent struggles have succeeded, resulting in a downturn of activity. There is a fight against the education cutbacks. The Ontario Federation of Students is motivated, but it has an economist outlook and framework.

We are in a propagandistic and educational phase, with passivity on the part of the students. We must break through this student passivity. The National Union of Students and Ontario Federation of Students are somewhat ossified bodies. Our NDP orientation is an asset. We must link up the students to others - the faculty, the workers at the university, and others outside. The United Left Slate (ULS) at York has been a model for United Left Coalitions elsewhere, but these are transitory and undisciplined bodies, largely composed of "independents". In the case of the arrests at Simon Fraser University some years ago, 114 were arrested, and, after the Rands-Eyler split, only six fought the case out legally, there was no discipline shown in a crisis.

At York University, the United Left Slate is the dominant political trend on campus. After the split with LSA, five of the eighteen comrades there joined the SL. The number of SL members there is now eight, with four or five close sympathizers and half a dozen spheres of work, including maintaining

a literature table. We expect a gradual increase in members and in work, not drastic during the coming year. The YSand RMC have been ineffective at York. The "Strategy of the Red University" has now been dropped by the RMG.

SPEAKERS - (Dale Ritch) the United Left Caucus is a loose and undisciplined formation, but we hope to extend ULC's across the province, with the SL as a disciplined core. The ULC gave its support to the N.D.P. A new government report calls for a 65% increase in fees and the dismissal of 4,000 educational personnel. This will help vindicate our credibility with staff and students.

At both Carleton (Ottawa) and Toronto, coalitions of students - faculty - staff ended by breaking up. The faculty will be told that fee increases are necessary for their pay increases, and will be pressured to agree to the fee increases. The release of the government's report will touch off new battles over the education cutbacks. By spring there may be several ULC's in Ontario. Now there is an attempt by the college authorities to disband the student union, CYSF. We can win in this battle.

(Jim Chisholm) - What is the public face of SL at York? How do we put forward SL politics there?

(Alice Klein) - We are dealing with inexperienced people, and the SL comrades lead organizationally and politically, going through experiences with them. We have built through recruiting individuals.

(Syd Doctorow) - There is a lack of leaders in the student movement. The SL must take other movements forward. This is our biggest challenge and biggest responsibility. We must build the SL within that frame.

(Stu Sinclair) - There is no separate SL club on campus, as such. We do not wish to cut across the ULC organization.

(Dale Ritch) - it is a tactical problem, how to intervene in the milieu and to avoid differentiating from the NDP. We are the only tendency at York with any real operational base, even the CP is very limited. The YS has made flip-flops in policy; it is opposed to calling for abolition of the Board of Governors and says that we should "place demands on the Board of Governors."

(Charlie Lee) York is becoming a leader in the restructuring of the entire

student movement.

(Harry Paine) - The problem of setting up a SL club at York within the SL's Red University strategy.

(Alice Klein) people know the SL members, and come to the CYSF office. Political openness is not a problem here.

SUMMARY (Abie Weisfeld) - We have an organization, the VLC, and we do not want to counterpose ourselves to it. The SL fraction can operate without a separate club there, at least for now. The VLC is not a substitute as it includes many tendencies, but we are the acknowledged leaders. Yet our sub drive on York campus was a failure.

REPORT CARRIED.

John Darling was excused. Abie Weisfeld left to go to the PLO meeting.

WOMEN'S REPORT - (Ellie Kirzner) - This is International Women's Year, declared by the United Nations, with strong support from the Communist countries. In the United States little money was advanced, but the Canadian program was fairly well developed and financed. The Government sought to capture the leadership of the upsurge, even its ad program in a sense advanced consciousness. Some important things were paid for by LIW grants. It was a breakthrough, but there is no real leadership and no centre. Laura Sabia is a militant but erratic presence.

The Communists had an international line, and also pushed consumerism, and the younger Communist women were active in many other groups. The RMG tried to arrange a meeting of Marxist women, failed, and afterward has tailed the SL on policy. The LSA has been quite ineffective. The SL sought to build links to the newly activised women. The march of May 10 did not get far beyond a student base, the committee saw it as a one day stand, and we were not able to get a permanent group to arise from it.

CARAL (Canadian Association for Repeal of Abortion Laws) was at first without structure, but it now has a structured membership base. The SL is very influential in it. It has a pluralistic approach. The vigil for Morgenthaler at City Hall was spectacular. The SL instigated it, but it could not be sustained. We were not able to expand it. The Government

acted against Morgenthaler with a moral authority, and it has not been possible to check the Government on this issue. There is great reticence by many women, even progressives, on the explosive issue of abortion. Women cannot easily be organized on this question. Pressure on the Government has not been sustained. Lewis took a long step backward when he shelved the issue at the NDP Convention.

The Women's Trade Union Conference in April was very important. We only had one comrade in a certified position, able to attend. There were 40 to 60 women present, of whom close to 20 were sectarians. The CLC has promised a conference for trade union women in the spring, and the OFL has talked about doing it also.

The Daycare movement is reduced. There is difficulty in organizing to take the offensive, and a lack of ideological acceptance of a right to ~~a~~ institutional care.

The newer women activists are less committed ideologically. Several came to forums, etc after the May 10th march but none have really consolidated. There is a diffuseness of sentiment. Feminists are not committed outside narrow sectors.

Our Priorities are A. To keep in touch to see leadership development, as there is a lack of women's leadership at present. B the CARAL work must continue. C. Our women's trade union work must continue. D. The St must define a position on the question of wages for housework.

SPEAKERS - (Harry Paine) - Has CARAL run out of steam? There is a possibility of new developments in the Morgenthaler case, and we must be prepared.

(Stu Sinclair) CARAL must develop into the trade union area also.

(Julie Tolentino) - Many feminists drop out from the day to day work, or turn to self-development. The NDP has not tried to appeal to women. Many women do not have any knowledge of what the abortion laws actually are.

(Gord Doctorow) - The abortion laws crop up everywhere, at the CUPE meeting, even at the Liberal convention. CARAL must become known in the labour movement. The main possibility to advance is still in CARAL.

REPORT CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE - John Darling is busy with the print shop, dropped off the editorial board. He nominated Judy Brooke for the place. Linda Dubow has been business manager, for "Forward".

NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Stu Sinclair, Gord Doctorow, Charlie Lee, Alice Klein, Dale Ritch, Harry Paine, Chris Judge, Calvin Johnston.

NEW EDITORIAL BOARD - Wayne Roberts, Stu Sinclair, Gord Doctorow, [redacted], Judy Brooke, Ross Dowson, Ellie Kinzer, Harry Kopyto, John Antia, Alice Klein, Linda Dubow.

EDITOR, uncontested, Wayne Roberts.

ORGANIZER - two candidates, Gord Doctorow and Stu Sinclair. It was agreed that as no matter of principle was involved there would be no electioneering. It has been many years since there was a contest for the post of organizer. Vote taken.

BOOKSTORE REPORT - (Ross Dowson) - Opening the small bookstore was a major decision. It has not really taken off as yet, this requires some time. New buildings planned in the area will help bring more people about it. It has run with voluntary help, but is quite structured. It is now well in operation. It cost the SL nothing directly, the money was raised by obtaining loans from members. Loans of $4,500 were raised, expenses turned out to be some $5,000, and it has gone quite well, though it opened with hardly any stock. Gross sales for 5½ months have been $2,600, and profit on this is a shade over $1,000. Paid wages for 1 month, $200, and $750 in rent, plus the investment in the books. We can turn a profit on the bookstore. Politically it was needed. Half the sales are radical literature. There is not much passerby trade as yet. Prospects seem excellent, but we are not yet able to take a comrade on staff.

SPEAKERS - Harry Paine criticized some of the paperback selections. Ross replied that they were selected carefully and included no skin magazines. Judy Brook said there were numerous trashy or pornographic books. Ross invited her to point them out. It is not an SL bookstore as SL has no money in it. We carry the papers of all manner of groups. The matter was deferred to the next branch meeting.

Vote Results - Stu Sinclair was elected organizer.

(Ross Dowson) - It is an unusual situation where the job of organizer is contested. Gord did a very good job.

(Stu Sinclair) - comrade Gord functioned during the toughest period of the SL's development and grappled with serious problems.

(Gus Tolentino) - It was a sign of development of the SL that Stu was able to put himself forward as a candidate for organizer and that this vote could be held.

The Internationale.

Minutes of Executive Meeting -- Nov. 26, 1975: 8:15 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Anderson. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason -- Red and Lighthouse

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of Nov. 16/75

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -discussion of Goldman's coming off leave of absence
   -m/c to recommend termination of leave of absence
   -discussion of Dave D. and John B. in St. Catharines -- recommendation to treat them as close contacts

5. Branch Conference:
   -discussion of poor organizational procedure in dealing with editorial board slate
   -m/c that organizer discuss with Jennings and Morgan re breaking of editorial board slate at last minute

6. Personnel and Organizational Structures:
   -by Anderson
   -discussion of fractions and committees
   -m/c that Frost be HQ coordinator
   -m/c that educational committee be: Frost as coordinator, McClung, Roy, Willis, and Hansen Cameron
   -m/c that Special Events committee be [illegible] as coordinator, Hernandez, Wilson, Smith, and Paddy
   -m/c that Membership and Contacts committee be Anderson as coordinator, Shier, Scott, Hernandez, and Deutsch
   -m/c that Financial Committee be Jennings as treasurer, Frost, and Anderson
   -m/c that Trade Union committee be Hansen as coordinator, Chaplin, and Wilson
   -m/c that campus organizer be Levi
   -m/c that exec. proposal for organization for women's work be a women's committee with Volpe as coordinator, McClung, and Scott
   -m/c that branch recording secretary be Roy
   -m/c that Anderson be exec. secretary
   -m/c that Deutsch be corresponding secretary for exec.
   -m/c to refer NDP discussion to next exec. meeting

7. Public Petroleum Association of Canada:
   -m/c to cancel forum to attend founding convention
   -comrades will be distributing and attending

8. Addressograph System:
   -m/c to purchase second-hand machine for $100

9. Adjournment at 11:50 p.m.

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Minutes of Toronto Branch: November ~~29~~ 1975 8:10 pm

1. Chair: McClung. Secretary: Roy.

2. Attendance: absent without known cause -- McKenzie. Late -- Hernandez (8:30), Lighthouse (8:30).

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of November 23 branch conference.

4. Remarks by Deutsch as outgoing organizer and Anderson as incoming organizer.

5. Educational Report: Anderson.
The new educational committee is being elected tonight. M/c to have internals on Social Democracy tonight by Shier and on Portugal Dec. 6 by Frost. Forums -- there was no forum November 28 because of the PPA meeting. M/c to have a forum on the Henderson Report Dec. 4 and to refer to the committee the speaker. M/c to refer to the cttee the topic of wage controls. Evaluation of last forum. Adopted.

6. Educational by Shier on Social Democracy.

7. Executive Report: Anderson.
Election of committees:
Educational cttee -- Frost, Roy, Willis, Hansen, McClung. Coordinator: Frost. Social cttee -- Cameron, Wilson, Smith, Hernandez, Paddy. Coord: Cameron. Membership & Contacts cttee -- Shier, Hernandez, Deutsch, Anderson. Coordinator: Anderson. Women's cttee -- Volpe, McClung, Scott. Coordinator: Volpe. Trade Union cttee -- Chapin, Hansen, Wilson. Coord: Hansen. Coordinator of Campus Fraction: Levi. HQ coordinator: Frost. Secretary: Morgan. M/c to refer to the executive the question of adding a woman to some committee.; m/c to refer treasurer & financial cttee to executive; m/c to refer NDP fraction coordinator to the organizer.

8. Public Petroleum Assn. Report: Deutsch.
Attendance was about 400. Prominent NDPers were present, as well as ex-Wafflers, bourgeois elements and CIC. Jim Laker was the key figure. No sectarian or red-baiting atmosphere. Saturation distribution of Forward was done.

9. Women's Report: McClung.
A symbolic CARAL demo will be held as part of international abortion law protest at the federal courthouse on Dec. 6 at 2 pm. Daycare funding is being cut back. York Daycare Centre is endorsing ULC.

10. New Business: M/c to grant Hernandez leave of absence from Dec. 6 to ~~Dxxxxxx~~ Jan. 11. M/c to defer bookstore report to Dec. 6.

11. Calendar & Adjournment at 10:#35.

Minutes of Executive Meeting -- Dec. 3, 1975: 8:25 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Anderson. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason -- Red; absent -- Lighthouse

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of Nov. 26, 1975

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -m/c to restore Goldman's leave of absence status for an indefinite period of time with the understanding that we will closely with her in her political work
   -Anderson read Ashley's letter of resignation
   -m/c to accept Ashley's resignation with regret and consider her a close sympathizer

5. Personnel:
   -m/c to propose adding Kent to trade union committee
   -m/c that NDP committee consist Of: Anderson as coordinator, Shier, and Stone
   -m/c that Membership and Contact committee consist of: Anderson as coordinator, Deutsch, Shier, Hernandez, and McClung
   -m/c that McClung move off educational committee
   -m/c that this Fri. forum be [illegible] Gord on Marxist View of Alienation
   -m/c to push forum on Henderson report one week ahead
   -m/c th have next forum on problems of labor governments (Australian Labor Party, BC NDP) with Ross speaking
   -m/c to drop forums over the Christmas-New Year's holidays
   -m/c that internals lineup be: Portugal with Frost, postal strike with Cameron, slogan of Independent and Socialist Canada with Levi, and inflation with Roy
   -report on concept of banking internals
   -recommendation that we establish temporary tapes of internals
   -m/c to have exec. meetings at 7:30 p.m. on Wed. night
   -m/c to tell next branch meeting about exec. sec. and recording sec. for adoption
   -m/c to refer question of Forward business manager
   -m/c that Finance Committee be: [illegible] Deutsch as treasurer, Anderson, and Frost
   -m/c that Anderson approach Jennings to be on the educ. cttee.
   -m/c that Anderson be given Mondays off and arrangements be made for comrades to come into bookstore on Saturdays to relieve organizer

6. Good and Welfare:
   -report on Louise C. -- comrades will be assigned to visit and help out

7. Adjournment at about 11:00 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto Branch Meeting, Dec. & 7, Sunday, 1975, at 8:10 PM

Chair: Mills. Secretary: Hansen, ~~transcribed by Morgan~~

Agenda: adopted as presented.

Attendance:: Absent without reason:

Minutes: previous minutes referred to next branch meeting.

MembershiP: Anderson gave report on membership status of Goldman and of Ashley.
M/C to accept resignation of Ashley from League.

Executive Report: Anderson reported the following elections: Deutsch as Branch Treasurer; Deutsch to replace Jennings on Financial Committee; addition of Kent to Trade Union Fraction; addition of McClung to Membership and Contacts Committee; Jennings to replace McClung on Editorial Committee; Anderson, Shrier and Stone to form NDP fraction.
Also reported that Lithuanian Hall has been booked for New Year's Eve social.
M/C to refer question of position of Executive Secretary to the Executive for recommendation to the next branch meeting.
Notice of Motion: C that the next branch meeting elect an Executive Secretary and a Corresponding Secretary.

Educational Report: Forum lineup: Fri. Dec. 12 Red on Henderson Report on educational cutbacksp Friday Dec. 19, Kent on Impact of Wage Controls.
Forums for Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 to be cannelled.
Internals: Dec. 7: Portugal, given by Frost; Dec. 14, Postal Strike by Hansen; Dec. 21, on the slogan "An Independent, Socialist Canada" by Levi.; Dec. 28, on inflation by Roy.
M/C to adopt Educational Committee report.

Educational: On Portugal, by Frost.

C.A.R.A.L. Report: Cameron reported on work in CARAL and problem of League's association with L.S.A. stigma. M/C to adopt report.

Campus Report: Referred to next meeting.

Newspaper Distribution: Anderson reported.

Good & Welfare: Louise C.'s condition was reported on.

New Business: Hansen reported on the Trade Union Committee.

Branch expressed opinion that the question of alleged pornography in bookstore would be an unproductive discussion.

Calendar: read

Meeting Adjourned: at 10:55 PM

Minutes of Executive Meeting -- Dec. 11, 1975: 8:25 p.m.

1. Chairperson: Anderson. Secretary: Deutsch.

2. Attendance: absent with reason -- McClung and Red

3. Minutes: m/c to adopt minutes of Dec. 3, 1975

4. Membership and Contacts:
   -m/c to strike off organizer to speak to Smith re taking on a more political role

5. CARAL:
   -Volpe seated for CARAL discussion
   -report on red-baiting by leading members of CARAL -- Pelrine, P. Currie, etc.
   -m/c to avoid confrontation on red-baiting and to pose a campaign to organize CARAL speakers to women's groups and unions, press campaigns to counter anti-abortion forces, and push CARAL leaders to the fore

6. Campus:
   -by Lighthouse Coalition
   -United Left ~~Caucus~~ was badly defeated on Board of Governors campaign -- opponents carried a left campaign
   -main political problem: abolition of board of governors was too central instead of student-staff control
   -report on Ont. Fed. Of Students -- we won the idea of a mass rally at Queen's Park on January 21st against the cutbacks of the Ont. government

7. Discussion on Executive Secretary:
   -m/c to recommend that position of executive secretary be abolished, that the organizer be the chief political spokesperson for the SL, and that Deutsch be nominated for position of corresponding secretary

8. Teachers:
   -m/c to refer to organizer

9. Educationals:
   -m/c to refer forum to educational committee

10. Adjournment at 10:30 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto Branch: Sunday, December 14, 1975, 8:10 PM

1. Chair: Scott, Secretary: Morgan.
2. Attendance: absent without ~~reason~~ known reason: Chaplin, Lightouse, Red, Schreiber, Volpe, Willis, McKenzie, Frost.
   Anderson & Hansen excused from first part of meeting to work on paper.
3. Minutes of previous meeting not available. M/C to table to next meeting.
   Minutes of meeting of Nov. 30th read and adopted as corrected.
4. Executive Report: Deutsch reporting
   M/C to eliminate position of Executive/Secretary.
   M/C to replace the position of Executive/Secretary with that of Corresponding Secretary.
   Deutsch elected as Corresponding Secretary.
   (M/C to move Educational Committee Report to later in the agenda.)
5. Social Report: Deutsch reported that a hall was booked for New Year's Eve party. Report on preparations of party.
   M/C that a notice be sent out advertising New Year's Day activities as well.
6. Campus Report: Levi reported on setback of ULC in defeat of its candidate for Board of Governors. Report on OFS Emergency Plenum where idea of student strike passed against cutbacks.
   Discussion on problems of functioning of Campus fraction. M/C Deutsch to refer matter to Executive.
   M/C to adopt report as information.
7. C.A.R.A.L. Report . Deutsch reported on preparations for Toronto and National conferences. An increase in incidents of red-baiting in Toronto to be met by us carrying campaign of mobilization of speakers in defence of CARAL and against Right-to Life.
   M/C to adopt.
8. Treasurer's report: Deutsch reported not ready, will be given next week.
9. Break for dues & Pledges.
10. Educationals: M/C to hold hatbox in lieu of educational on Post Workers strke educational not available. M/C discussion be on setback for labor in BC defeat for NDP.
    Discussion held on previous forum
11. Alliance of Non-Zionist Jews: Levi reported that public meetings in the form of debates, with Rabbi Berger of the US planned in Toronto Jan. 26 and 27.
    Joe Meslin reported expelled from executive post in Workmen's Circle.
    General membership meeting planned for Jan. 5th M/c to adopt.
12. New Business: Deutsch reported there will be an Xmas social at his house for comrades and friends.
    Report on the Student Coalition for Strike Support Committee.
    Kent reported on Xmas sale at Forward Bookstore.
13. Calendar read M/Cthat forum this Friday be changed to Defeats of Labor Party in BC and Austrialian elections.
14. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 PM

X? M/C to hold Trade Union Fration meeting this Sunday at 4 PM.

Minutes of Toronto Branch 6 Sunday, Dec. 21, 1975, 8:25 PM

Chair: Deutsch Secretary: Morgan
M/C to adopt Agenda as presented.
Attendance: Absent Without Leave: Mills, Red, Schreibman, Thorson, Wilson.
Minutes: Minutes of previous meeting of Dec. 14 adopted as read. Minutes of Dec. 7 still not available.
Membership & Contacts: M/C to grant holiday leave of absence to the following comrades: Shrier & Wolpe until Jan. 7th, Lighthouse until Jan. 1st, Levi until Jan. 1st, Jennings and Smith until first week of January, McKenzie until first week of January, at which time he wishes to discuss his membership in the light of lack of participation in the League in the recent period.

Anderson reported on M.D., who has asked to join the League . Kent reported on this contact who has had a longstanding relationship with Canadian Trotskyism, and M/C that two comrades be struck off to have a discussion with him with a view to recruitment. Anderson & Deutsch elected.

Social Deutsch reported that New Year's Eve tickets had been mailed out. M/C to adopt report on party. Anderson reported that Xmas Dinner being organized at Goldman's house for those comrades interested.

Educational Comments on previous forum of Fri.19th with Kent on Labor party defeats in B.C. and Australia. Forums cancelled for next two Fridays due to holiday period.

Educational: Hansen on Postal Workers' Strike.

Break:

Trade Union Report: Chaplin reported that the Bargaining Committee in his local had backed down to accept Federal Wage Guidelines. M/C to adopt report.
Also reported on contact work with opposition element in Union national leadership.

Campus Fraction: Levi reported on Joint Campus Fraction-Executive meeting, that saw three areas of concern in York Campus work: 1)the lack of control of ULC over central student paper Excalibur, 2) the negative, overly theoretical presentation of our program in the Board of Governors elections, 3) the inability of comrades to effectively mobilize ULCers in the election. Comrades expected to play co-ordinating roles in coming term's ULC activities.

Discussion on Bd. of Governors campaign: high interest and vote saw passing of referenda against cutbacks and boycott of food services, issued picked up dema gogically by ULC opposition. M/C to adopt report.

C.A.R.A.L.

Kent reported that C.A.R.A.L. Bulletin was out and that Amnesty for Morgentaler stickers were available.

New Business: Deutsch reported on efforts to reinstate Joe Meslin to executive of Workmen's Circle

M/C that question of consideration of changing Branch meeting night be referred to Executive.

Kent reported that Dec. issue of Forward out and distributions to strikes to be organized.

Calendar: read and

Meeting Adjourned: at 10:30 PM

Minutes of Toronto Branch, Sunday Dec. 28, 1975, at 8:15 PM

Chair: Stone Sect: Morgan

M/C to adopt Agenda.
Attendance: Absent without reason: Cameron, Chaplin, Mills, Paddy, Schriebman, Willis, McClung.

Minutes: Minutes of meeting of Dec. 7th adopted as read. Minutes of meeting of Dec. 21 adopted as amended.

Membership & Contacts: Anderson reported on recruitment talk with M.D. M/C to accept M.D.'s application for membership.
Roy reported on contact T. McC. M/C to refer question of this contact to Membership & Contacts Committee.

Educational Report: Frost reporting. Committee & Executive proposing that to rectify problems around forum program of last few months that 1)there be a monthly major forum at an outside hall and 2) 3 weekly semi-informal forums on intervening weeks held at the HQ. Also that periphyery recruitment classes to follow up on major monthly forum on Sundasy. M/C to adopt report.
Lineup: M/C to hold first major forum Jan. 23rd on Cutbacks (Henderson & McKeough reports) with Red as speaker and other outside speakers as well.
M/C to adopt for Jan. 9th HQ forum on Balance Sheet of IWY with Volpe speaker.
M/C to adopt for Jan. 16th HQ forum on aspect of women's liberation to be decided by women's fraction.
M/C to adopt following lineup of series on Marxist View of Life & Culture:
Jan. 30th: The Marxist Approach to Methodology, with Deutsch speaker.
Feb. 6th: The Marxist View of Literature: Kent speaker
Feb. 13th: the Marxist View of Religion: Wilson speaker
Feb. 20th: The Marxist View of Science: Anderson speaker .
Feb. 27th: The Marxist view of Pop Culture, the Media, Film, Scott speaker.

Break for Dues & Pledges.
M/C that ~~Ixx~~ Roy's educational on Inflation be postponed to next branch meeting.
Financial Report: Deutsch gave November Financial Report M/C to adopt.
Social Report: Deutsch reported on New Year's Eve social preparations. Reported on New Year's Day Sleigh Ride plans. M/C to adopt.
Calendar: read and
Meeting Adjourned: at 10;20 PM